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It Gives Us Great Pleasure to Give These Communications to the Inquiring World...

A Message From a Soul Who Dwelt in the Hills of Judea Where the Flocks Were Tended

MY DAY was before the cross. My day was when men worshipped their shadows and considered them their other self and when the shadow went before, one looked upon it as being the best part of the day and when it fell behind the day was done. The shadow was the first timepiece or the first record of time before the sun dial. Man reckoned time by the shadow cast by the light that ruled by day and when the day was done man rested as Nature rested and the day was sufficient unto the needs of man.

Knowledge is universal. The interpretation of Knowledge is limited by man made laws and whenever so-called civilized man gains possession, destruction follows. The simple folks of the hills who lived close to Nature and whose needs were the needs of Nature knew the full joy of living and the true value of Life. They did not sacrifice because they did not fear. Sacrifice came when **fear** took possession as the result of the wandering tribes invading peace loving dominions. From one departure from Nature other departures followed until strife covered the land in which the gentle, loving people dwelt. The history of man began long, long before my day and as the days numbered the activities of the day our day and night, according to your calendar, made two days rather than one. We lived daily and knew nothing of years, of months or weeks as you know them. We only knew the seasons—not as you know them but as the lengthening and shortening of the shadows, bringing sleep earlier and later. The world itself has not changed since my days in the hills. Sunrise and sunset was the same then as now. When man traveled on foot with no beast of burden to carry his load he gained his experience and set his law through observing Nature's activities and Nature's Laws and in fancy you can go back to the first activities of man in his earliest understanding or realization of his powers, greater than other Life about him—the power which enabled him to reason and from reasoning to building crudely. Through combining reasoning and creating he builded better and better dwellings.

The history of the world as it is known today has in reality covered only a short period—a very short period of man's life and his realization of his consciousness which began with his recognition of his great advantages. To one who can read the earlier records and comprehend their symbols, man is younger than any other form of Life springing from the earth. The records of the past, even the records of the earth when it was void of form can be and **will** be read by men and women living in the flesh today and these records will be interpreted into language and placed in form familiar to the child on the street.

The truly intellectual man and woman are not found among the pampered rich or the traveled egoist who girdles the earth to bag their game, who invades the jungles to capture and bring into captivity to satisfy their spirit of conquest. The intellectual race in the world today are men and women whose vision captures the records of the past while he sits in the solitude of his own chamber or within the silent chamber of his **knowing** mind. Had man developed the powers vested in him and realized his gift of intuition he would have been able to protect himself even from the elements.

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UNIVERSE SPEAKING

EFFA E. DANELSON, *Editor*

THE LAW THAT ABIDETH FOREVER

WHETHER planet or man, the Law that assembled them has never changed and never will it change. New formations, new species, new creations through the cycles of Time have been brought to greater and greater completeness but the Law in its processes abideth forever the same.

The first cause of all things known to man since the dawn of intelligence came into the world operates to conclusion, bringing forth after its kind through the cycles. In all the kingdoms of the earth this Law abides steadfast in its operation. Where man's foot has never trod are to be found unaltered, the first patterns of Life. In the wildwood the flowers bloom, each to its own law through the cycles; each created thing has its own language, its own character. The wild animals are ever the same in their cycle. Man, with his comprehensive brain, seeking out the secrets of the first cause has delved deep into transitory things. Civilization after civilization have destroyed themselves through contradiction and usurpation of the rights of others' laws.

The histories that are buried in the earth are greater than any history enacted in recorded time. A disturbance in the universe upsets the earth's equilibrium for the time being and like the revolution of a wheel with a broken spoke it becomes weakened at the hub and at the outer rim. Men of science seek earnestly and long for the secret of Life and like the sand running through the fingers of the little child at play on the seashore it slips through their fingers unchallenged and unrecorded because man, in his infinite thinking misses the infinitude that produces the thing he seeks. Man has decided the earth is round like a ball, flattened on opposite sides. Man has established longitude and latitude to the extent of the power of his divination but man does not know where he began or where he left off and whatever man does not know is dubbed "no man's land." When land travel was the extent of man's movements nothing else existed save that which came under the observation of the observer and his word became law in the colony over which he ruled. When man found he could keep afloat on the edge of the water bordering his abode he ventured and as far as he was able to go and return to shore was quite enough to establish the line of safety and for centuries no one dared to go over that established line and one daring to suggest a greater depth or a greater distance was persecuted and often put to death.

The world has lost its civilization times without number—it has reverted to what is commonly called the savage state but the Law abideth forever and ever, the same. With the passing of each civilization came changes—changes in form and formation but the Law did not change. It has not changed and it will not change; that which man looks upon as change is adaptation and application of the Law which forces man from one cycle to another. Coming to grips with circumstances and mastering the foes pushed man toward truth and finally to possessing new frontiers; humanity became conscious of greater things yet to be discovered and still greater things until greed took possession. First an individual, then a nation. Transitory and migratory tendencies and propensities have always carried man beyond the fixed boundary lines—boundary lines fixed by the passing cycles of Time. To free the world from the binding chains of the past has been man's greatest achievement in the past century or we might say in the century that is passing. The greatest task is yet before the progressive man and woman and that is breaking down the wall of superstition and releasing

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EDITORIALS IN TUNE

Without Fear or Favor

Moses Leading the Children of Israel Into the Wilderness

IF YOU want to read the greatest novel ever written, get out your Bible and read the story of Moses leading the children of Israel into the wilderness where they wandered the natural time of a man's life today. Read where these Israelites were under bondage to Pharaoh and how Moses, being a member of the King's household, learning that these people were his people, learned all the arts and crafts of the time that he might free them from their physical bondage.

It is a most interesting story under the lens of the great magnifying glass of the metaphysician, that man or woman reads these historical Bibles of the ancient days with the understanding which Time has brought to the world. If you are a student of Astrology the story is an Astrological one and these children of Israel were wandering stars, guided by the great star of light. If you are a student of history with an analytical mind, you will place it among the historical records of the development of a long-suffering people. If you belong to any of the old schools of religion, you will place it under the caption of great miracles. If you are an independent searcher after scientific facts, you will place it under whatever name your branch of science designates; if you are a Spiritualist, you will interpret the story according to your early training in whatever church your childhood was spent, but if you are an *independent* THINKER, regardless of any affiliation prior to your independence, you will place it under the caption of Philosophical allegories for the direction of people who are under bondage, who seek freedom from the bondage, looking toward a promised land where that for which they seek may be found. This great novel of ancient days symbolizes a mental bondage which this great magician was to free this trusting people from.

The story, handed down from remote time, has continuously been repeated and is constantly being repeated in our own time and day. Moses, according to the story, freed the people from the physical bondage and led them into a wilderness of *mental* bondage. This wilderness of mental bondage brought them into many conflicts and at each intersection as the battle raged the great metaphysician came forth with a masterpiece to calm their fears. The climax of the story comes at the time of despair when sudden darkness overcame them and then we find the guiding light which led them by night and the cloud which guided them by day. We have the famines where manna was given and instructions as to when it should be gathered and the importance of only gathering for their need was stressed and following this great masterpiece we find these people were led out of their mental darkness when they no longer needed this leader and his leadership was withdrawn.

Following the aftermath of this story we have the wandering people of today and we ask you this question—you may answer it according to your knowledge and your understanding and to your own satisfaction: Is this a story of facts that actually took place or is it what it *seems* to be—an allegory—a mystery story to guide people? This incident, written into the records of Time, has left in its wake the most horrible destruction and persecution of any other incident ever recorded through the thousands of years; for every little provocation groups of people have been set aside and persecuted. Dating back only as far as the printing of the Bible, according to its interpretation by these learned (?) interpreters of the records of the past, they took control of men's souls. The earth has been drenched in the blood of the patriot who fought for that which he believed to be true—for that which to him was the *true way* he gave his life and today the story in Exodus is being reenacted; physical bondage and persecution of races by those who have learned the arts and crafts of what they call masterpieces, history is again repeating and writing again in a new era the tragedies of the past.

How much this rambling story of the great novelist who wrote the book of Exodus is responsible for cannot be told; to what extent are these teachings responsible for the ills, the destruction, the sorrow and the crimes that are being committed today by the youth all over the world.

Following the history of crime in the Daily Press, following the output of the Detective stories—how many have you thought have their setting in the atrocious crimes recorded in the Bible, known as the St. James version. Let us ask again—should not the churches be compelled to revise this book of crime and place before the youth a Bible that teaches youth a proper interpretation of the Golden Rule? Should not our Governments follow the teachings of the law set forth in the new Commandment that was given to them, "Love ye one another"?

Unsheath the mailed fist that cries for blood and give YOUTH a highway where at each intersection of the road it says, "Turn to the right and go straight ahead," that tells youth that at the left lies the jungle of despair—at the right is the road

WITH OUR TIMES

BY EFFA DANELSON

that leads to the promised land. Let us free ourselves from allegorical appendages and speak to youth in words which cannot be misunderstood or misinterpreted in the future.

Heads of Governments—to whatever office you are elected, you are elected to uphold True principles—you are not elected by governments to buy and sell favors for your influential constituents—you are elected to serve *all* the people for the good and benefit of the least of your voters—not for the rich and influential men in your State. You are elected at this time for the best good of the world at large—for the modern miracles have wiped out all boundary lines.

Boundary lines today are only for the purpose of designation of location on the ground of this world and for mental reservations of right and wrong that those who seek to serve the best good of all may be protected against the marauder who would destroy that HE might live. This is the day of *Promise* and the *command* is to GO FORWARD.

The Mental Barrier

THE barrier shutting out, without reservation, the understanding that might come to each and every soul is the determination to hold on to the old ideas of Life left as a heritage to each succeeding generation, to hold, to cherish, to protect, even with their life, and if need be, destroying the lives of any and all who, with their greater understanding and revelation might not agree with them and keep holy the sacred teachings. The command, "Go ye out into all the world and preach the Gospel," has taken root *deep,* in the consciousness even unto this generation and has builded a mental barrier superseding all other barriers in its stronghold, separating the peoples of the world. This mental barrier reaches into the strongholds of Nations, into the hearts of the individuals, rendering them incapable of reaching a just and fair condemnation.

Measuring the whole world by this yardstick you are condemned before you are born and consigned to condemnation all through your life and in the hour of the Death birth, in the minds of those self-appointed judges, you are consigned to the abyss of condemnation. This mental barrier does not allow the individual who accepts it any reservation of opinion or thought on the question of Life after Death. If you are burdened with this mental barrier, you are robbed of any reasoning power that you might possess governing any other question of Life and its vicissitudes. You may be a powerful builder in all the arts and crafts—you may be a model of perfection in every relationship of association with your fellow man, but you must not go beyond this mental barrier in your reasoning concerning the *only* question of importance dealing with Life.

The question of individual death will never ring down the curtain of your physical activities. You must stand in the shadow of this mental barrier and accept the ultimatum of your religious dictator, but when the veil of total ignorance has been torn asunder and your mental vision is no longer obstructed by this mental barrier you will find you can still clasp the hand of your loved one—that you can still look into their eyes and see and feel the love light pouring into your soul. When you can hear the loving tones of that unforgettable voice —with power and the strength of great determination, you can proclaim the *falseness* of the one and the *truth* of the new-found joy and in the spirit of the patriot you can truly sing, "Once I was blind but now I can see," with a real understanding through the powerful revealing ray which comes to you once you have broken down the mental barrier created for you at your physical birth.

The light of understanding concerning this question of Life after Death is moving swiftly through the ranks of the old guards, consuming the wrath of ignorance with the living flame of understanding. This flame once lighted never recedes. Once the ray pierces your mental gloom, the sorrow of your heart departs, never to return.

There is no mystery except that created by mental barriers. Life is governed by Law and the Law is no respecter of *your* thought or *mine;* it only recognizes *us* when we obey its mandates; then it reveals its great workshop to which *all* humanity have access according to their understanding. The man or woman who wilfully places a barrier to retard the individual indulging and delving into Nature's marvelous workshop becomes a stumbling block to the progress of the human race. Each and every one possesses the great gift of *free will* and he who robs another of the exercise of this free will in matters pertaining to Life and its attributes is a transgressor of the Law and *the way of the transgressor is hard.*

Seek ye with every breath the understanding of Life, its attributes and its mission—from whence it came and the path it travels, leading the true traveler ever forward to the goal he chose. BE A BUILDER AND NOT A TRANSGRESSOR OF THE LAW.

Premonitions

By ANN HARRINGTON

WHEN I was about ten years old my parents lived on a farm in the middle west. My grandmother on my father's side was visiting us and stayed with us several months but toward the autumn of the year she spoke of returning to Washington with her daughter. I remember that it was on Sunday afternoon and grandma and I were on the back porch and we were talking about different things when I asked her, "Are you going back with Aunt Isabel? We would like to have you stay with us." And she replied, "If I live I will go with her, but if I do not live will you tell them I want to be buried beside your Aunt Frankie?"

At this time grandma was in perfect health. One would think she had years to live as she was not old. Sometimes I was allowed to sleep with grandma in the downstairs bedroom, as I loved her dearly and wanted to be with her. So Monday night I was sleeping with her when about midnight she called me and asked me to rub her feet as they were cold. I asked if I should call mother who was upstairs, but grandma said, "No, she will need her rest." I was kneeling on the floor rubbing grandma's feet when my mother came into the room and asked if grandma had called her. Grandma said, "No, but I was wishing you were here."

Mother said that she thought grandma had come up the stairs to her door and asked her to come down as she needed her, so she hurried down to see what the trouble was. Mother said afterward it must have been a dream, but I wonder? Everything was done that was humanly possible to do, but my grandmother passed on that day.

My Aunt Frankie had a lovely voice and used to sing at all entertainments in the town where she lived. One night at an entertainment when asked for an encore her choice was an old Scotch song, "Last night there were four Marys, tonight there'll be but three." I do not remember much about it but I do remember that after the entertainment some one asked her, "Why the sad song?" She was so full of life and fun it seemed strange she should sing that, and she answered, "When I was singing I had the strangest feeling I would never sing again." Of course everyone laughed at that, but Aunt Frankie passed on that night. She was eighteen years of age.

One time we were at the home of my grandparents, my mother's father and mother. They lived on a farm in the prairie district where most of the land was not cultivated and there was always danger of prairie fires after the grass died toward Fall. One night late we were all in bed and asleep when there was a crash in grandma's room. She was awake immediately and looking out saw the glare of a prairie fire. They hastily called all hands and went out with a team to plow more firebreak and beat out the flames with wet sacks. After a lot of work they barely managed to save the buildings and our lives. After the danger was over and we were all safe the folks went to see what had caused the noise they had heard before the fire was anywhere near and in the room they found that a picture of Christ which had hung on the wall had fallen. The picture was not broken, the frame and glass intact, the wire was perfect and the hook on the wall was still as it should be. No one knows what caused it to fall, but if it hadn't we probably would not have survived that prairie fire. My grandmother always said, "It was a warning to save us."

One time we lived near a normal school in a city. I remember one Sunday my mother was very restless and kept going to the front door of the house and looking up the street. After this had happened several times we asked her why she was doing it and she said, "I feel as though someone was looking for me." We had a good laugh out of that because we thought anyone looking for her would find her without worrying much about it. Late in the afternoon she was standing at the door when she saw a boy coming up the street. He saw her and hurried to the house and his first words were, "Aunt Ellen, I thought if I'd walk up and down the streets when I got to your house you would be standing at the door and I would find you." The boy was the twelve year old son of my mother's brother. His father had been injured in an accident and had been brought into a hospital from the rural district in which they lived. The lad being from the country did not know anything about telephone or city directories and did not know the street or number of our house; all he did know was that we lived near the school. So he set out to find my mother and walked up and down the streets all day. At the same time mother was going to the door all day because she felt someone was looking for her.

In our family were five children, three older girls and two younger children, a boy and a girl, so you may know when we were all at home we had a lot of company and a lot of fun. One day a girl who worked in an office in the courthouse and who used to pass our house each day on her way to work stopped and asked mother if she could come there to room and board. Mother had never had any boarders and of course refused, but the girl kept coming back and finally mother said that she could come if she would be just like one of the family. She agreed to this and moved in with us. She was a lovely girl and we all loved her; she was just like one of us and stayed with us several years and when we moved to another house she moved with us. As time went on things changed, my older sister went away to a position in another city, my younger sister was at home working in a newspaper office and I was teaching a rural school. The youngsters were still in school. But Anne still stayed with us. When we were at home we had a grand time, but I was only home from Friday evening until Sunday evening each week. One Saturday evening we were having tea and as I used to think I could tell fortunes with tea leaves, Anne gave me her cup to see what was in it. I looked at it and said, "Can't tell you anything, Anne. All there is in this cup is a coffin." Then jokingly I said, "Or, it might be a hope chest, seeing you are just engaged." And that really was all there was in the cup. I did not take myself or the tea leaves seriously and was just joking.

Early Sunday morning Anne came into my room and sat on the edge of the bed talking to me; she said she was going out to the farm to see her folks that morning and said: "I feel I should go out to see them this morning I had such a terrible dream last night." I asked her what she had dreamed and she said she thought her sister who had just married and moved to a distant city, had come back and that she (Anne) had asked her why she had returned and her sister replied (in the dream), "I read in the paper that Miss Anne Thompson was not expected to live, so I had to come to see you." This seemed to worry Anne. I told her not to worry, that dreams went by contraries and she would probably get a letter from her sister May telling how happy she was. So Anne left for her father's farm. I returned to my school Sunday night and Anne came back Monday morning. She was at work that morning and at noon was home for lunch as was my sister, Jean. They were kidding and joking each other about things and finally as Jean left for work she said, "Goodbye, Anne, if I never see you again." Anne left about fifteen minutes afterward and as she was on her way to work had to cross the railroad tracks. The gates were down and she stood there waiting for the freight train to pass. People in an office beside the track said that she had the collar of her fur coat turned up—it was winter and cold as only the middle west can be—and was tapping her foot and humming a song. As the end of the train was going by Anne stepped around the gates and into the path of another train coming from the

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TERTIA MOTUS

By FERDINAND KONDRING

IN OUR daily contact with all that lives and moves and has its being inside or outside of our own body, we find that every unit, big or small, is subject to three fundamental forces:

I. The centripetal
II. The centrifugal
III. The precessional force.

The latter is often referred to as the third movement or force with its backward stroke.

Since the human mind is groping its way by studying matter more than force, let us look at this materia a little closer. Let us take, for instance, the camera. Its film is covered with gelatin. Just a few words about chemistry. There is hardly any substance (mineral) composing the mass of the earth's crust which does not contain some—be it ever so small—amount of phosphorus compound in the form of salts of phosphoric acid. Yet no matter how small it is, it nevertheless is of utmost importance to the eternal creative act. For in this compound or rather in its etheric counterpart lies the spark of fecundity, the "match" that will start the cosmic fire on its way to or grow the thing the germinated seed calls for.

From the soil to the plant into the animal this phosphoric compound represents finally the chief part of the bones as calcium phosphate. This calcium phosphate in turn permeates a nitrogenous organic substance that forms a gelatin. This is the human film upon which is reflected the image of the mental man.

The gelatin of the film in the camera contains besides other chemicals billions of grains of silver and sulphur. Phosphorus enters into direct combination with sulphur. Through this combination plus the outer solar ray a combustion is created and out of its ashes appears the negative. In other words, through the intercourse of the male solar ray and the female lunar ray embedded in the etheric garment of the phosphorus, the inner psychic crystal was divided, hence the combustion. What happens to the film in the camera is exactly what happens to the gelatin in the human system; the only difference lies in the fact that the first is a mortal act, while that of the second is an immortal one. Therefore we see the same combustion goes on in the bones of man, thus forever recreating himself. Inside the marrow of the bone lies the point where heaven and earth kiss each other. It is here where the electrical solar ray (positive) and the electrical lunar ray (negative) through their union cause the division of the psychic crystal.

So far it was all matter. Now where does the movement or force come in?

With every creative act which is psychic crystal division, man also sets in motion the third movement emanating from this division. This third force or the precessional movement accelerates the etheric forces, namely the centrifugal (female) and its physiological center, the sympathetic nervous system and the centripetal (male) centering in the cerebro-spinal system, while the third force itself is identified with the para-sympathetic system. It is this latter system that keeps by way of the backward stroke characteristic of the precessional force, the other system at a safe distance from each other and yet at the same time does establish a phylogenetic relation between them. When all three forces of these three nervous systems constitute a rhythmic display, the rhythmic breath in man is established. As said before, the third movement emanates out of the division of the psychic crystal and yet it is at once the divider and the child of the division. Therefore he who knows how to divide the crystal is aware of the backward stroke and vice versa. Through this awareness man establishes a conscious overbridgement from the profane science into the deeper Arcana of nature. In other words, he who wants to build a "physical" road into the fourth and fifth dimensions must know the display of his inner forces. A mind able to conceive and breathe from within these three fundamental forces is consciously assisting creation, thus accelerating the division of the psychic crystal, and hasten on evolution. Right through his whole system blazes the purifying breath. From the point of creation where the psychic crystal is divided via the bones to his outer periphery a constant non-consuming combustion is breathed into existence forever and anon. The "explosion" of the crystal and its settling "ashes" is the beginning of the fulfillment of man's desires, mental as well as physical. He is the true alchemist producing force and matter, where there was none before. He is the genuine healer who can consciously participate and accelerate the rhythmic display of the three fundamental forces of any unit. To heal means to re-establish in a unit the rhythm of the creative forces. Therefore, a man polarized on his own mental plane, resting in the cerebro-spinal system, lacks that which he wants to create in others. It is the cosmic, polarized man who consciously rules from within the display of his inner forces, resting in the para-sympathetic nervous system, that can truly heal and assist Nature. As long as man is polarized in the cerebro-spinal system, he is below the rhythm of the third force, which as said above, has its center in the para-sympathetic system; therefore man's consciousness must be sandwiched between the sympathetic and cerebro-spinal nervous systems. It clearly shows he is off center and knows little of what the subconscious mind is doing with the other systems.

Through this off center man invites all the jarring vibrations known as disease. Cancer would be banished forever from man's body as soon as he shifts his polarity from cerebro-spinal into the para-sympathetic system, which would then be within the display of his three fundamental forces. But as it is, the centrifugal-sympathetic-female system becomes at times hopelessly entangled with the male-cerebro spinal-centipetal system. Through this the "milling" through of the backward movement belonging to the third force in the para-sympathetic system cannot carry away the new created gray matter and must remain near the spot where it was created through the division of the psychic crystal, hence inflammation, which in turn would cause paralysis and other ailments. Infantile paralysis is the cause of a dead or clogged-up para-sympathetic nervous system, because its inherent force, the third movement, cannot keep at a healthy distance between the two other nervous systems. When prevented from breathing through these two systems, evolution is stopped, the traffic cop is gone and all creative fire runs wild.

The third movement swings backward, it grinds against the other two currents, hence it causes the division of the psychic crystal. It is the geometrician who carries his own "bricks" throughout man's sphere of influence. The para-sympathetic system is the domain of the metaphysical policeman in man. From this basis man enters in an orderly and sane fashion into the deeper arcana of Nature. The measuring rod of the mental polarity in the cerebro-spinal must bow to the intuitional cosmic polarity in the para-sympathetic system. In order then to go behind the molecule man must change his polarity. After this change the human mind gains tremendously in moral stamina, the increased flexibility adds to the reasoning power and thus through its own keenness, and by it, will become aware of the display of man's inner forces. To know and imitate the third movement in man means to know how to divide the psychic crystal. It constitutes the shifting of man's consciousness from the third into the fourth and fifth dimensions. It is a solid and physical overbridgement from the natural into the supernatural, leaving no room for the speculator of the abstract.

The movement of the precessional force gives to the mind the impression as if it pulled open or "peeled" off a

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THE WORKSHOP

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THE annihilation of matter is a theory not corroborated by facts. Investigation in laboratories stops with the flash of atomic explosion and the release of the stored-up energy within it. Whence the ingredients of the atom go to—what becomes of the liberated like spark is hidden to us. In surmising its further functions we can only use imagination, the dream eye of the gods, aided by keen reasoning about what Nature's open book, the universe, teaches us. The atom is the tiniest universe we know and as such must act the same as the greater system. Destruction, uncleanliness and evil of matter is a rather antiquated superstition which should be discarded in this age of clear reasoning.

Mathematical reckonings and solutions of problems of relativity are subject to error, however sound the base of the theory may be that space and time are one. The statement would be correct if it read: "Spaces and their time are one." Space and time curves of our sun and those of other suns and larger bodies do not coincide. Space does curve, but only around its own individual sphere of control and can be reckoned by the proximity of neighboring bodies, the distances of whom are fixed by law, Keppler's law transferred to the universe. It must be clear to any reasoning mind that there can be no limit to the amount of the curves of space and to their dimensions in size. And time, the dual of space, has its parallel curve to its own individual space, the vaster, or smaller the curve of space, the greater or shorter the curve of time directing motion.

The only sphere of activity of the cosmos not subject to the combination of time and space in the infinite is thought. It knows time and space only locally as directors of evolutionary cycles of progress and decay.

Imaginary facts in time become true solutions. Time changes space locally and space changes time. Truth changes locally with time and space. What was regarded here as truth a thousand years ago is ridiculed now. What is truth on Jupiter is untrue here. It is the use of imaginary facts, however, that makes us progress at all.

The one law of the universe that never changes under any circumstance is the Law of Eternal Change. Thought is subject to it. And Universal Energy is subject to thought. Everything under the law of evolution adapts its dimensions of change to its own curve, alternatingly rising to a height, then descending, the whole forming a slow, wavy spiral of growth.

When we see Eternal Change at work in Nature around us, be it among the stars in universal space, or manifested by Nature here on Earth with her definite space and time limits, common sense tells us that there can be no annihilation of anything. What we know as death is an orderly procession of change after a life cycle is finished, a preparation for a new life in the Golden Chain of Lives, for a new plant from the same root.

The flash of the explosion of an atom changes the life particles back into their original elements of four-fold universal energy, setting them free as it were to combine again in a different guise and create anew. Of the destroyed form not a particle is lost but put to use elsewhere. In time to come we will harness the ingredients of an exploded atom.

The Law of Conservation controls every center of destructive or creative energy, whatever form or combination of forms energy works in. Death, the disbanding, is change from one phase to another. And these phases succeed each other under the rule of fundamental laws, changeable as to their local adaption, but unchangeable as universal factors because the amount of energy in the cosmos is unchangeable—infinite and eternal as the cosmos itself as a mass.

Since everything in the cosmos is dependent on the ALL for its own individual existence under the Law of Universal Unity in Evolution, nothing can exist *only* by its own store of energy, but must give to and take from the ALL. This is Unity in action. To give is blessed, but to take nothing in return is being damned to perdition. The Horus symbol of giving with outstretched hands is also the symbol for taking what is due.

The radiation of the Sun is 50,000 candle power to the square inch. What becomes of this energy the Sun liberates? And what becomes of the energy set free by the billions of stars in the universe, some of them 20,000 times as radiant as the Sun? Among all the countless multitude in the Heavens there is not one that does not receive from, and contribute its quota toward the harmonious progress of the whole—the strong giving to the weak and the weak to the strong, the quick to the slow and the slow to the quick, the large to the small and the small to the large, age to youth and youth to age, death producing life, and life producing death in eternal succession.

The Sun's life does not depend only on its own store of energy but is dependent equally on universal energy for its needs, to the same ratio as the planets rely on the Sun and as the Sun and its family rely on other star groups for their existence, and as man relies on food and environ to keep on living. Radiation streams out from the Sun in the same ratio as other power centers as a mass receives it from and returns it to the Sun. The Law of Conservation does not permit waste of energy although it produces lavishly.

The galactic universe, as a whole, expends energy outside of the ranks of its own brotherhood of stars when it collaborates with them in the creation of new galactic universes and solar systems, and in fair exchange of radiation with other galaxies. The same exchange takes place during solar exchange of radiation within a solar system, between individual star groups, and all other forms in which energy chooses to work.

Man is also a receiving point of universal and local energy, absorbing and returning radio-active, dynamic, chemical, and heat energy. Ultimately, when his energy receiving points are exhausted, the total amount of it is collected in the storehouse of death whence it is transferred to a combination of successors during a period of preparation for the new form.

Man transfers chemical into mechanical energy with his stomach and heart, and mechanical into heat energy with his lungs and skin, and heat energy into electrical energy with his brain and nervous system. And he uses his brains to absorb universal thought and ray currents he is attuned to. Thus energy is his guardian angel leading him steadily onward from life to life.

Once born, a new galaxy, full of released energy as it is, demands even more power from the universe that gave it birth because it expends its own energy rays lavishly. It is forced to this expenditure while it fashions its various star systems and individual stars and defines its own chosen field of action against that of others, beginning the battle for existence of the fittest as it were. The offspring of man preparing for its place in the Sun does the same.

The surplus energy is returned to the cosmos when the newborn has taken definite form and has chosen the limits of its own power dominion. Then its activity slows up, stability and conservation become more and more pronounced as its evolution progresses and a place in the cosmos becomes more secure.

Man is a self-willed combination of many colonies of life particles, each a tiny vehicle of energy. He is gifted with god-like instincts of creation and destruction, and as such subject to all the laws the stars themselves are subject to. There is between star and man only an evolutionary difference in duration of life, form, size and motion, and the degree of responsibility he must answer for. A galactic universe, itself,

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is like a gigantic man working out his destiny, subject to life and death and all the intervening phases of evolution.

When man dies his atoms are scattered to their elementary, chemical, radio-active and dynamic source. We have within us atoms of every chemical composition that exists on this earth and particles of universal rays, some of which are too complicated and powerful to fit man's body and are filtered for it by his own individual atmosphere. There are many different rays in the cosmos beyond our power to investigate or to imagine, particles of more powerful and more highly specialized combinations of energy than even a form like the earth can absorb without harm.

The individuality of each atom of man, though it does return to its element and works therein in the various composite forms of mineral, vegetable, or animal life forms, has absorbed from him the distinct stamp of his own individuality. The atoms of man have been and will be his eternally during the entire process of the perfection of his form—all but a few lost during each life in his chain of lives to permit the work of Eternal Change in his evolution to go on.

As the earth is an atom of the universe and affiliated forever with this solar system life colony and the brotherhood of stars in this galaxy, so a man's atoms perform their cycle of action as a miniature edition of the greater systems during the seven phases of one life—and of his chain of lives in other localities, except those few who are the workers of change. When, after man's evolution on earth can go no further and the cycle of life decrees his new birth on a greater star, then spirit and force go into a combine and set matter or chemical energy into motion to gather up his scattered atoms, that the whole triad, spirit, force, and matter can continue to work together for his higher evolution.

The collection of individual atoms or the creation of matter takes place when the ray particles of spirit and force band together for the creative purpose of form. Such a creative process is the same in the three great houses of life. Matter and force create spirit, in other words chemical and mechanical energy create the electrical energy. Spirit and matter create force—electrical, or radio-active and chemical energy create mechanical. Neither of the three is less powerful or more important than the other two. To hold spirit and force alone real, and matter an evil thing of illusion, is untrue.

Each third of the triad is dominant on its own place, but works with and against the other two, or else rays, vibrations and waves of energy would be still, the cosmos itself non-existing. From the beginning of an existence in the lowest strata of life, evolution of the entity is equally divided among the three divine builders.

However, if man, or any other form were to rely on the original atoms alone, there would be no limitless evolution. The Law of Eternal Change would be powerless to act. Even if the atoms were to change the number of their electrons from one to ninety-two and back again it would be a case of evolution and devolution on a distinctly limited scale, an even up and down forever repeated. This is proof for the individuality of every form.

As it is, that within man which is the highest Divine power known, the Ray of Divinity in and around everything existing which can be defined as a positive and negative stream of radio-active magnetism affiliated with thought, attracts to him atoms of universal energy from the mass and sends other atoms away from him into the universe in exchange, as does Mother Earth herself. This results in a gradual but continuous interchange from positive to negative, from male to female power. Among mankind the male is destructive to form and the reverse in dynamics, the female creative to form and destructive to force. And either one transforms these rays to the opposite power when returning them.

Stars evolve like man. Molecules escape from Mother Earth to work in combinations outside of her. And always strange molecules enter her atmosphere to collaborate in the bringing of continuous change. These molecules travel in the guise of meteoric dust and are a part of the great dark nebulae as comets—ashes of a has-been world still aflame.

Molecules in space travel at different speeds—the smallest having the highest, the largest the lowest speed. Each molecule is forced to try to develop the same amount of energy as its fellows by endless collisions with them. This action is controlled by the universal Laws of Equalization and Gravity. The laws work by taking surplus energy from the powerful and adding it to that of the weak so that an eternal adjustment of positive and negative energy and between destructive and creative takes place in a three-fold action. This law is one of the foundation blocks of Eternal Change and acts both as accelerator and retarder of the great stream of life.

Molecules of one type form their own communities in space. Each gas they produce occupies its own distinct locality. Within the great storehouse of death magnetic power continually bunches all those diverse molecule colonies, or gases of disintegrated worlds into dense groups. Therefore, such a collection of gases maintains all the creative elements necessary to give birth to a new galactic universe, or to a solar system with all the solid, liquid, and volatile compositions and electrical and dynamic stored power of a predecessor.

But this dark mass lies inert—at rest—because each individual gas herding with the great variety of other gases in the black cloud of star dust strives to keep to itself in peace, although it jealously conserves its own form of energy by repelling strange molecules from the frontier of its domain and ever attracting more of its own kind. The inertness continues this storing up of resting radio-active, mechanical and chemical energy, only heat energy being needed to start them on a new creative venture.

The molecule colonies in space are grouped in an orderly array according to size and speed. Those of similar energy border each other and those of opposite size and speed keep the greatest distance apart in a circle. That is why, from whichever way a disturbance of gravity in the shape of passing stars may strike such a dense spot, it hurls affiliated molecule colonies into the ranks of the molecules of opposite speed and starts the divinely great and beautiful spectacle of a new birth in the heavens.

Through the agency of motion or mechanical energy the heat energy resulting from this collision liberates the tremendous creative mass power of radio-active energy or electricity. The Law of Equalization stages the battle for the supremacy among the hostile molecules of the opposite groups. The heat of battle increases in intensity until the possible maximum of radio-active power and heat energy is developed, then mechanical and chemical energy once more begin to do their work of creating form.

The battle of the gases breaks up into many minor clashes. Magnetic power—gravity—begins to separate the whirling mass into systems, then into smaller groups, and lastly into individual stars. The molecules, now under the control of all four factors of energy settle down to their eternal work of fashioning life and evolving it according to the cooling stages, first ethereal, then solid forms.

Spirit and force now have a new house to work in. And these houses differ in the combinations of solids, liquids, volatiles, and cosmic radiation of power, so that no two forms are alike. They vary from the coarsest rock to the finest form of man in whom the chemical blend into the dynamic and the radio-active elements.

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Advertising Taught Woman to Smoke

By WILLIAM KAZAN

A GREAT deal has been said about smoking. Some years ago physicians came out overwhelmingly against the practice. Then, as such issues do, an antagonism was born. This by those who desired publicity. They offered arguments to prove that smoking was good for you. Those who smoked believed them. Those who didn't believed the opposition.

This controversy between the members of the medical profession was waged in the newspapers and magazines but the public, after the first little flurry, remained blissfully unaware of it. Instead its attention was rigidly used by the advertising syndicates employed by the tobacco corporations.

It was in 1930 that a tobacco concern conducted a poll in the United States to ascertain just what percentage of the population used tobacco. From a normal business standpoint the result would have been more than satisfactory to anyone but the tobacco moguls.

No sooner had the results been compiled when they hired a man, a professor of psychology in one of the country's leading universities, to map out a campaign to increase their sales.

Since all the male population that ever would was already using the nicotine weed there was only one way to turn. They turned and immediately the country was flooded with subtle, suggestive advertising designed to slowly turn the feminine mind to tobacco.

The audacity of the plan is what probably put it across. First in the posters that blotted the highways there were no women in sight. But gradually they began to creep in. Then you saw them smiling at the hero smoking a cigarette.

Now the subtleness became more evident. In the next series of posters and advertisements appearing everywhere the girl had struck a match to light the cigarette for the boy. Later we see her wishing for one also. Then we see her alone in the room with a package of cigarettes on the table and debating with herself whether she should try one. Next we see the cigarette in her hand and at last in her mouth.

Not content with merely the press of the nation the tobacco corporations employed the radio and the screen to convince the public that they should smoke.

Testimonials deluged the gullible public. Doctors, dentists, athletes, actors, musicians, all testified that Blah cigarettes were the best and cured this and that. All this despite the fact that in many cases they had never heard of the brand in question.

We owe a lot to smoking. We owe the fact that this country's nervous temperament has increased to such an extent that we reverse ourselves in elections held two months apart.

The widespread use of opium in the orient can be laid at Sir Walter Raleigh's door. Before the advent of smoking the opium was eaten, a disagreeable operation because of the taste, that retarded the forming of the drug habit to any extent. Then smoking it was discovered to be pleasant and the opium trade grew by leaps and bounds.

In Italy, before Mussolini's time, during the wine-making season the child birth of that country fell abruptly and a large percentage of the children that were born became idiots.

Doctors discovered that the excessive drinking of wine at this time was the direct cause of what happened.

Now the medical profession also says that the same condition is created in the body by the widespread constant use of tobacco to stimulate the organs. Not to the same extent as wine but clearly in the same direction. Despite that they say that the effects of tobacco will not be borne by this generation but the next.

Even with this as it is, the great fault in the widespread use of tobacco lies not in the fact that it is a habit-forming drug as in the unscrupulous and suggestive advertising that has been resorted to.

The time is fast approaching when the market for tobacco sales to adults will reach a limit.

Then, seeing what has occurred to induce woman to smoke, it would not be stretching even a pessimistic imagination to predict the next advertising campaign is to be directed at the children.

We expect the tobacco manufacturers to claim that a pipe or a cigarette contains the same nourishment as a candy bar or that it provides a good substitute for castor oil.

Our Conscience

By CHAS. C. HAAS

FUNNY thing—our Conscience—isn't it? Doesn't seem to be any sort of physical thing, either. Just appears as though it came from the heart, or maybe by way of the head, and then not with severe jabs like rheumatism or toothache or anything like that, but just a sort of steady "underground" painful feeling that doesn't give you a bit of rest and yet doesn't hurt so much either.

But it's different than most of the other pains in that while each of the other kinds hurt, they never make it exactly clear just what the cause is and that's just what this Conscience Pain does do above all things, and the worst of all, never lets up in telling you just Why it hurts and just What you should do to correct the evil. Now that's the most peculiar thing about it, too. It seems to want you to Know just Why it hurts!

Well, that's a lot in helping you to get well again, and that's far more than the other kinds of hurts assist, yet somehow, you just Don't Want to Get Well by That Method. That's funny, too, because it's often so simple a remedy that it seems ill-advised Not to take advantage of the suggestion, but we just don't seem to fathom Just WHERE this information comes from and for that reason (meaning that it's ABSOLUTELY the Correct thing to do) we balk at it.

And Just Where does it come from, anyway? That's what has us stumped and as none of us wish to appear ignorant (and much less likely to give way to something we Know is true and thereby tell the whole world what's wrong with us) we just simply balk!

Is the source so dependable that we Must give way and consider that the source after all? Let's see!

Since that feeling seems to fill our entire being and we just can't shake it off, might it not be reasonable to believe that it came from our Spiritual Self, and that it comes as a warning that we are NOT LIVING OUR LIFE AS *IT* WANTS TO GO THROUGH THIS EXPERIENCE AND MAKE THAT PROGRESSIVE GAIN IT NEEDS TO COME OUT OF THIS LIFE, READY FOR THAT HIGHER EXPERIENCE IT HAS PLANNED FOR ITS NEXT TRIP DOWN HERE BELOW? Kinda looks that way, doesn't it?

Peace—A Dove With Singed Wings

By MARIE HARLOWE

REASON, that alone which distinguishes man from the animal, seems to leave mankind bereft when men's hearts seethe with hatreds and jealousies of such intensity as to culminate in war.

Men who are considered enlightened because they know the cruelty and futility of wars, preach, support and participate in wars. Christian men, above all, who are bound by those very Christian tenets to desire, not that their country may triumph in combat, but that the will of God, which is Peace, Love and Harmony, may be done—Christian men who are taught to love their enemies, that is, who are not only forbidden to kill their neighbors, but are entrusted with the love and service of their enemies—go forth in war to kill men whom they do not know and who have done them no harm.

Men are today like children playing with explosives. Considering the degree of their moral development as judged by their wars which call forth the lowest animal passions and deprave and brutalize men, men have no right to the use of the many modern inventions which they have used for the destruction of each other. Men of our times have developed enormous power over the forces of nature, but on the whole, use these powers only in the lowest animal propensities.

It has never been completely estimated how many MILLIONS of men have been killed in wars. Certainly more money was spent fighting for the freedom of the slaves than would have otherwise been necessary for their peaceful emancipation. War is founded on man power. In the Russian-Japanese war odds were always in favor of Russia because of the fact that it possessed almost inexhaustible human material. War with Russia today is not courted by any national power for the same reason. War kills the physically best, and man becomes therefore more and more degenerate.

Wars are fought by men who presumably think they are "helping their country," but man helps his country most by daily contributing to its spiritual, moral and material welfare. For before man is a soldier of his country, he is first of all a being sent to earth to fulfill the ultimate aim of the moral law, the first principle of humanity. The law of the universe is based on the concept of one person acting toward another as he wishes to be treated himself.

Peace can therefore never be accomplished through royal alliances, nor by peace conferences, nor even by the realization of the socialistic program, but only by more and more men conforming to the universal law of unity between peoples. Wars will only cease when the majority of men refuse to participate in them. As it stands, a stupefied people are hypnotized away from a true recognition of what underlies our modern warfare.

Wars are what Russians call "capitalistic rivalries." Wars are waged for no such purpose as to make the world safe for democracy or for any other thing, but they are operated to make money for the moneyed powers. Wars will therefore cease when they are made to no longer pay, and that will be created, not by appeals and pacts and letters, but by the organization of those who have nothing to gain and everything to lose by wars. For wars, followed by panics, depressions, have been the means by which wealth has become concentrated in so few hands.

The panic of 1873 followed closely on the end of the Civil War, but did not last long because the workers still possessed a great portion of national wealth, which through mortgage and sale, gave them a purchasing power.

The war with Spain was a capital-

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The Master of Universal Law Speaking

By JACOB GOLDWASSER

THE operation of my laws have never been fathomed completely. Aye, the picture you have painted is incomplete. Your scientists have closed the human mind to a real understanding. Ah, your words come from a hazy vision and you see me from a narrow slit. Push forward thy whole being, right through the narrow passageway so that you may vision the picture complete.

The Force of Gravitation: I am only a phase of what I must do when the charges for my mediums must become lower because of a poor and clogged instrument. The lowered vibrations of many forms, including that of man, must seek a lower plane. Ah, when the instrument attunes itself to the highest pitch and can absorb the greatest amount of my uplifting charges, then indeed the heaviest mediums have the capacity to rise. What your scientists call the denser body as passing under the lighter air, are objects only with a lowered rate of vibrations. These same denser and heavier objects have the capacity to rise (such as airplanes) when the vibrations are increased.

The Force of Attraction of Opposites: I am only another phase of what I must do when some of the conditions have split into many parts. Verily, some of my children were the neutral and perfect types at one time. They became mischievous and I thought that they do deserve a good spanking. But they had to suffer for their sins. Finally they found themselves as the negative and positive types. The fires of hell have spread and the unquenchable flame has enveloped my strayed children. Sensuality and the pitfalls of lust eternally consume the mischievous. As the neutral type, man was a free agent and a Godly being. The vital, rejuvenating essence constantly charged the powerful brain. That was living as living must and should be. That was creating as creating must and should be. That was leadership as leadership must and should be.

Today man has plunged himself into the scorching fires of a ghastly Hell. The present earth is the "outmost Hell" and the ultimate phase of the degenerated existence. The "unquenchable flame" destroys and brings death as man falls. As man rises, the flame has left and the mind visions the complete and the perfect. Some day the mortal realm shall disappear. Man shall revert back to the neutral and perfect type.

The Law of Change: I am forever changing every department inwardly so that every department may remain unchanged outwardly. When I renew every part of your body, such as the cells and the tissues, I do so in order to keep your form unchanged from without. I am always striving for the condition of change from within to keep a condition of unchange from without. That is the complete picture.

The Laws of Life: My laws are eternal and immutable. They never change and are fixed. I have spread out far and wide the waves of animation, construction, thought, light, evolvement, intelligence, etc., to be eternally consumed by my children. I have always prepared an ample supply to nourish my flock forever and anon. The mischievous bent in their minds have kept them from reaching out for all the wonderful goodness bound up with an immortal existence. My children commenced to suffer and finally entered the mortal realm. My laws of life must be obeyed. There is a penalty for every transgression. None can escape. If you

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The Higher Consciousness

By ETHEL ALLEN SHANAFELT

"UNDER laws of progress we all require, in changing measure, experiences, whether of pain or pleasure. Good or ill, new opportunities, making the best of each, thus in helping ourselves we are better fitted in turn to help others."

Progress comes by way of these "changing measures" or as usually called, experiences; though this does not mean merely the correcting of existing evils.

Progress is more than evolution; it is a selective system, the success of which depends upon the individual's adaptability. This quality positively makes for progress, whether we are considering high or low stages of advancement. This attribute, which is called adaptability, means a capacity for selection of the best from each contact or experience, followed by the replacing of that "best" with still higher and better values.

Experience affects the consciousness, depending upon the degree of sense acceptance. If the receiving is energetic in its nature there is a chemical change which, channeling into the subconsciousness produces a condition of good or evil. What then, if the good is the dominant stress?

The essence of each such experience may be (should be) incorporated into the consciousness which in metaphysics is known as the superconsciousness. If this is continually accomplished, the spiritual plane of the entire organism is raised.

Super-consciousness? What is that?

It is an awareness of spiritual strength; absolutely selfless, impersonal and abstract—this awareness implies power which is inalienable.

In metaphysics the word superconsciousness finds analysis; its use is for progress and the following of Christ's definite command to "Heal the sick"—which includes the mentally, physically, spiritually afflicted.

Metaphysics deals with the superconscious, a transcending of material limitations—a spiritual science.

Applied psychology may be of great benefit to a person in the understanding of mental and emotional problems, but only in rare cases does it create a dispassionate attitude. There is no spiritual interpretation without which there can be no development, attainment or progress.

The possession of a superconsciousness appears as a mystery until one vividly realizes its fineness, its exquisite inspiration, which psychology utterly lacks. There are too many rationalizings or blue-print patterns to follow in psychology to admit spiritual irradiation.

Metaphysics is not psychology, the power of the superconscious does not come by way of the subconscious. Metaphysics accepts many psychologic findings but transcends them until he has gained (attained) that higher understanding which is called Wisdom.

Conscious and subconscious knowledge is obtained from experience in this life; the superconscious is a "storehouse of all faculties acquired and knowledge gained" from pre-existences, which are often latent in this life expression.

This accumulated knowledge manifests itself usually "as conscience, as character permeating and ensouling thought-forms, sometimes as counselor compelling action with resistless force, even contrary to one's reason or desire."

A metaphysician accepts this force as superconsciousness, bringing the "flash of the will" which is interpreted in the Bible as the I AM. This I AM is an illumined superconscious condition and should be recognized. Christ said: "Before Abraham was, I AM." He referred here to the Ego, the Within, the superconsciousness.

Christ used the word Abraham to designate the dense vehicle in which mankind functions as apart from the spiritual or super-part.

The Ego, the I AM, the real you, existed before this material form; it is the spiritual force within and it is this with which the metaphysician works. All parts or forces of the individual have a rightful place—they are not separated from the superconsciousness, but interpenetrate.

Living on a spiritual height increases one's enjoyment of life; the Bible tells us of a small nation, which at the time of a great crisis in battle had a leader, Jehu, who stepped out and drew his bow "with his full strength."

What would happen today if each one would live according to his full spiritual strength?

When the full acceptance of the power within a superconsciousness is permitted the individual finds himself in a state of mind which is supernally good for him, then he is capable of bringing into the lives of all others that which we call beauty.

It must be remembered that each one is exactly in the place where he may supply his spiritual needs! Then, with that supply absorbed, he finds more has been added. If he looks, his horizon has extended, even material things have changed—then progress begins.

Advancement (attainment) cannot be forced; it comes upon one gradually. Perfection is the requirement God has made of us.

There is one thing essential: know "that there is an inmost center in us all where Truth abides in fullness, and to know, rather consists in opening a way whence the imprisoned splendor may escape, than effecting entry for a light supposed to be without."

Another interesting chapter next month.

SIXTH DREAM

By MARION B. SHOEN

I DREAMED I was walking along a deserted street at night with my two tall sons beside me when we heard a woman's sharp, piercing cry.

We entered a small, shabby house, very poorly furnished and badly lighted. A woman in a red dress lay upon the floor, weeping as if she were in great pain. I knelt beside her and placed my hand on her head.

She stopped crying and gazed into my eyes. "Go into the other room," she said, "you will find there someone who needs you more than I do for I am not the one who is hurt."

We three entered the next room where a group of well-dressed women were talking very loudly. Their leader was a tall, queenly woman dressed in blue velvet. I thought, "She has the same eyes as the woman I have just left."

"What shall we do with her?" she inquired in a cold voice.

"Stone her!" cried all the other women in chorus.

I began to wish my boys were at home for I felt that place was not the proper place for them to be, when my youngest son stepped forward and shook the shoulder of the leader. "Don't you dare to stone her!" he cried. "She is my Mother!"

I knew they spoke of the woman we had left in the adjoining room and I felt a little shocked that my son should claim her as his mother when I knew that I was his mother.

I started to say that he was my son when the woman in the blue gown looked at him and said, "No, you are not her son. You are my son."

I started to leave the room when the woman turned to me and said, "You and I are one."

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TREMENDOUS TRIFLES

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Seventeenth Installment

"Power of Courtesy"

THE man we all admire and respect is he who is courteous and kind and gentle at all times. The possession of this one quality endears strangers to one another. The words of the individual are his thoughts made audible; his actions are his thoughts made visible; his language and his actions are the correct interpretation of his thoughts.

Strange is it then, that the individual of courtesy and gentleness and kindness is the one preferred in places where men congregate. Men understand this quality in others, though they do not possess it in any degree themselves. They admire this quality and they consciously and unconsciously show their preference for the individual who exercises it.

It is the innate courtesy in a man—his gentleness, his kindness that defines your instinctive like for him even if you have never seen him before. You have seen people toward whom you feel an instinctive dislike; for whom you feel a positive distrust. If you have (and we all have), you may be certain that the individual for whom you entertain the negative sentiment reciprocates the sentiment you hold for him. The feeling of distrust and antagonism you hold for him indicates that there is a clashing of antagonistic natures. Should you have occasion to clash physically, depending upon the lack of courtesy and kindness and gentleness in one or both of you, there would be a mighty pitched battle. When natures clash, that is the indication that one or both of the natures is lacking in basic courtesy.

Rousseau said once upon seeing a man for the first time: "That man does not please me altogether although he has never done me an injury, but I must break with him before it comes to that."

The man about whom Rousseau said those words was saying the same thing about Rousseau, if the truth were known. Antagonism is not a one-sided affair. No nature can argue alone. There must be at least two engaged in every debate.

"Men take each other's measure when they meet for the first time," said Emerson, "and every time they meet. Men do not convince by their arguments so much as by their personality. Antagonism is frequently felt by people who have never passed a cross word."

Antagonistic natures by virtue of their antagonism are fated to clash. Where the individual is blessed with the quality of courtesy and consideration, the danger of violent mental and physical upheaval is obviated. Drummond said of courtesy, "This is love in society, love in relation to etiquette. *Love doth not behave itself unseemly.* Politeness has been defined as love in trifles. Courtesy is said to be love in little things. And the one secret of politeness is love. Love cannot behave itself *unseemly.* You can put the most untutored persons into the highest society and if they have a reservoir of love in their hearts, they will not behave themselves unseemly. They simply cannot do it. Carlyle said of Robert Burns that there was no truer gentleman in Europe than the ploughman poet. It was because he loved everything—the mouse and the daisy, and all the things great and small that God had made. So with this simple passport he could mingle with any society and enter into courts and palaces from his little cottage on the banks of the Ayr.

"You know the meaning of the word, "gentleman." It means *gentle man*—a man who does things gently with love. And that is the whole art and mystery of it. The gentle man cannot in the nature of things do an ungentle, an ungentlemanly thing. The ungentle soul, the inconsiderate, unsympathetic nature cannot do anything else. *Love doth not behave itself unseemly.*"

That explains the secret of the wonderful power of courtesy. Courtesy gives power to attract and to charm; the power for the performance of great things. It explains personal magnetism and those who have it.

Personal magnetism is a super-development of courtesy. It comes through the love of man for his fellow-man and for God. Look through history for great men who have achieved; they were invariably men of great personal magnetism—men of courtesy. Lincoln, Emerson, Edison possessed great personal charm because they definitely loved and served a higher power; because their hearts were filled with love for their fellow-men. They were not bitter or resentful or hateful even when most virulently attacked. Quiet and calm, gentle and considerate—*courteous* were they at all times. They loved mankind and mankind today loves them and remembers and reveres them. Such is the power of courtesy.

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Solitude, A Cure for Wearied Souls

By JEANNETTE EUGENIE CUSHING

IN SOLITUDE the mind of the thinker comes to its full fruition. Alone with the sun, the haunting moon and the remotely glittering stars, listening to the night wind sighing through the pines, the lonely soul comes forth from her hiding place and dances in graceful measure upon the wings of fancy.

The birds cleaving the azure ether symbolize the arrow-swift thoughts that aspire to pierce the veil of mystery, that perhaps mercifully has been drawn between humanity and the Universe at large.

There is more actual beauty in a field of waving corn than in the painted glory depicted in some Salon. There is more real music in the wild bird's carol than can ever be heard in the simulated trills and cadenzas of the concert halls. There is more health in a square mile of open country than can be bought over a counter, amidst canyons of steel.

It is well at times to turn off the radio and instead, tune in on the infinite instead of dancing to the latest step, to allow one's eyes to follow the dancing sunbeams; the mind and the body cannot both be active at once, but in solitude the deepest concentration is possible and to gain mental strength concentration is imperative.

THE POE

Life's Gems

by EDITH C. LANE

Into the world we throw priceless gems,
To go drifting along with life's debris
We tear Love from life's diadems
Burying it deep in oblivion's sea.

We cast from life its sweetest dream,
Allow it to drift with the tide.
To sink at last in Hate's deep stream,
Sent to its death by wealth and pride.

Oh the dreams we lose in that dark sea,
The memories that linger at our side.
The Joy and Gladness never to be,
That we dash and crash by a foolish pride.

Blind Boy

by GLADYS I. HAMILTON

We had no other single thing in common,
This blind boy from a lowly neighboring farm,
Except the leaping of our minds together;
The love of words, their glamour and their charm.

He saw so much of beauty in his darkness
That I, with sight, could never learn to see:
His mind was rich in literary treasure—
I am the one so dull and blind, not he!

The Future's Rich Reserve

by PAUL JANS

Great desolateness of the desert!
Your guardians of brier and thorn
Protect you from the hands of man
More than greed does the city-born:

Vast dunes that slope against your bosom
Blind less while shifting in a storm
Than deep depressions mar the vision—
Pain and disturb, the natural norm.

In reservations of great deserts
Should pre-planned, helpful cities build; not
Spoil the best of fertile places
So they may never more be tilled!

Wide open spaces of the desert!
Good friend of future airmen's wings,
Pray let no tax appear for flying
The range where new-born progress springs.

Death

by HAZEL MOSHER BUXTON

Death came to me one lonely night
And stood beside my bed,
I felt more clearly than I saw
And shook with fear and dread,
Persistently I fought this fear . . .
My vision cleared . . . and then,
Death was a mirror in which I saw
Myself gone young again.

The Lonely Road

by ELVIN WAGNER

I travel on the lonely road,
From choice or chance I scarce could say;
It may be best to travel thus
Than plod along the careworn way.

The Trail is long but winds about,
With beauties that the few may see,
And feasts of mind beyond compare,
And love for bird and flower and tree.

Others have passed this way before
And left a trace upon the sand—
Behind me still will others come,
And journey through this Lonely Land.

The ways of life are manifold;
Though each of us may choose his own,
We all just grope along through life,
And some of us go on alone.

Where Beauty Dwells

by LUCILLE EVANS

Beauty is quite unmindful of the place
Wherein she chooses to burst into bloom;
For I have marked the lilac's purple plume
Of Maytime fragrance in a garden space
Hard by an humble dwelling. In the face
Of one whose life is spent amidst the gloom
Of want and poverty she yet finds room
To pattern lineaments of utter grace.

Her stores of loveliness she gives to greet
Man's questing eye: star-chains that rise and roll
To their blue zenith; green sea-tides that beat
On waiting shores; bright frost in silver scroll—
All these are Beauty's largesse, and are meet
To fill that lifted cup we call the soul.

Care

by MARIE BLACKMAN

No soul can every really boast
That care to him was yet unknown;
It touches all the earthly host
Because new seeds are ever sown.

And as they start to grow and thrive
And reach their grasping arms about,
They touch each kindred soul alive
And test each human heart so stout.

Read o'er the pages of life's book—
And scan its precious leaves of gold,
And you will find time ever took
Her toll of care in every fold.

Yet care that's painted on one's brow
Ofttimes just brings the highlights out;
So let us all our lives endow
With trust that puts the cares to rout.

Sun Dial

by ELEANOR HUGHES

I, like a sun dial, upright stand,
Marking life upon the land;
Passing years like shadows fall
Behind me, lost to my recall.

I point the passage of time's flight,
Facing upward to the light;
Casting shadows as I go—
Above, the Everlasting Glow.

Old Wisdom

by MARGUERITE JANVRIN ADAMS

You have been wise, beloved, in the going:
You have been wise to leave this sheltered place
Before the breeze of trouble stirs calm waters,
Before the shadows point across your face.

And I am grateful for these crumbs of comfort,
Remembering some glory that will last,
Knowing that what is worthy of forgetting
May be enduring, though the hour is past.

So you have been most wise, most deep in wisdom,
To walk beyond recalling, when you know
That all the power of wind and earth and water
Cannot efface your footprints where you go.

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Brotherhood

by HENRIETTA E. TRUMP

I see, in this glorious New Age
A vision so wonderful that well may
This soul of mine pause in wonder
Gazing speechless at this superb array;
Well may it in deepest silence ponder
Seeking the answer to this immortal play.

From the four winds of the earth I behold
Marching forward in their virgin purity
A multitude of individual souls, three-fold
Marching in the stronghold of love's security
While over them golden banners gleam
Glowing with the words, Brotherhood reigns supreme.

Onward they come and again I behold
That every nation, race and tribe are there
Marching side by side—three-fold
And as they march along they seem to pray
Then upon the ethers from this great throng
A multitude of voices rise in one glad song.

And as they sing forth from the East
Comes love arrayed in robes of white,
While from the South, Peace pinions bright
Steps forth to greet the glowing West
Who comes with Mercy's badge upon his crest
Then from the North another one I see
With scales of justice he balances the three.

Then forth spake a voice—
"We stand upon the crest of time
And on this scroll we write these lines—
Man thou image of God, the One Divine
Once more hast thou awakened at the call
Of mercy's plea, for peace and justice to all,
Again hath love reached forth to bless and bind
In one great Brotherhood, all mankind."

Then behold o'er these four a flag unfolds
A thing of wondrous beauty, with cloth of gold
Inscribed thereon these words I read—
"United we stand as one great nation
One God, One Father our realization,
Through the One Truth, One Love are we made free."

And then I beheld, written in golden letters
Upon each forehead the word—Brotherhood,
While from each face had disappeared all fetters,
Love reigned supreme, all understood
And again raised their voices in mighty song
For peace—good will flowed from that great throng.

Growing Happiness . . .

by LULA JAMES MILLER

Would you like a hobby that bears a reward
Far better than silver or gold;
That freely presents to you joy and delight,
As much as your heart can hold?
Grow happiness!

The great word-man of happiness says,
"'Tis a feeling both cheerful and pleasing,
Which continually flows from the presence of good,
The state of contentment releasing."
Sweet happiness!

How vainly we seek to find joy and delight,
When we turn our vision afar,
Overlooking the beautiful things in life,
Lying close to the place where we are;
Elusive happiness!

Now I know a place where happiness grows,
Producing new joys every day,
But you are the one who must plant the seeds,
And assist them along the way!
In the flower garden.

There is delight in the odor of freshly-turned earth,
With its wonderful ways of unfolding,
The mysterious seeds that are placed in its care,
The thrill of expectancy holding!
Responsive garden!

There is pleasure in pondering the infinite power,
Held latent within a small seed,
With its particular color, and odor, and form,
Be it flower of pestilent weed;
In the garden.

With a variety of seeds and a few garden tools,
Begin in your own back-yard,
And plan some gladdening landscape there,
And give your keenest regard
To growing happiness!

In a few short weeks with sunshine and rain,
A scene will unfold for you,
Of color unrivaled and beautiful form,
That no artist can ever outdo;
Revealing happiness!

And this lovely picture of color and form,
With no further thought or care,
Will exhale for your pleasure the delicate breath,
Of perfumes exquisite and rare;
Fragrant happiness!

And your flowers shall declare sweeter sentiments,
Than tongue or pen can convey,
For they are live symbols of gladness and cheer,
In their garments of richest array;
Transposing happiness!

From this glistening, dew-drenched garden,
In the earlier morning hours,
Peace, and refreshment, and joy will be found,
Dripping out of the beautiful flowers!
Divine happiness!

Every part of a lovely flower garden
Reveals the presence of infinite mind,
So delve into the mysteries hidden therein,
And endless delight you will find
In growing happiness!

THE VOICE

By ELLEN C. MOUNTFORT

ELAINE MARTELLE gazed out over quiet waters, with a gentle if moist land breeze blowing over her, fresh with the fragrance of many flowers. At her feet lay her baggage which had increased and multiplied by many things, magazines, fruit and candy left by the friends who had insisted upon bringing her to the bay boat. So very kind of them, yet Elaine could not help but think that the confusion had lasted right up to the very last moment and wearíedly she said to herself, "Oh, if only Esther Harris could have torn herself away from Jersey and returned yesterday it would have made things quite different for me."

She saw herself dashing about her room madly packing, and it seemed that she and the clock were running a race. However, she was an efficient packer and it gave to her the few moments which she always desired — a last look about her pleasant room before starting out upon a journey. And so today as she stood with her bag in her hand, a conscience-stricken thought pierced her as her glance passed over the room and stopped at her little writing table by the bed — Otto Holm's last letter to her! How could she forget it! She had looked at the letter every night since his death three months ago and out of the sad and difficult days it had somehow brought a strange peace to her. Why she just could not leave the letter behind, for when night came she would miss the familiar tho mute evidence of a friendship that could not be forgotten.

Hearing voices below in the vestibule Elaine hurriedly picked up the letter and slipped it inside of her dress. Running downstairs she found a noisy taxi chugging at the door and with much laughter among the girls, each one trying to carry her bag at the same time, they were off; still more confusion and jostling at the dock and now it was all over — quietness at last! Gliding in and out among the many scenic islands of the bay; a healing peace stole over Elaine and the weight of weariness as quickly dropped from her shoulders.

The six-hour trip seemed like a passing dream to her; as she sailed along it almost seemed that she was on a ship bound for an unknown land and she would sail on this way forever. "Ah, if she only could! At any rate tired nerves were getting a brief respite; even though all journeys must come to an end sometime." And finally the slow little boat did come to the end of the line.

After Elaine arrived at her aunt's cottages she selected the larger of the two for occupancy and immediately found herself in difficulties with the lock of the front door which appeared to be broken. Finally she had to give it up and go to a neighbor's cottage to see if they, by chance, had a key to the side door. She remembered that cottage living had made this a habit, so that linen and groceries could be placed in the cottages when they were not there.

Securing the desired key, Elaine returned to the cottage and entered the side door. Once inside she began a search for a coat hanger which took her very nearly all over the house. In her search she noticed many letters lying all about. Why she had never known the Latimers to leave so many letters around before. For some unexplainable reason it almost annoyed her. But there they were, letters, letters everywhere, on tables, on shelves, window ledges; even on the floors in the clothes closets. It seemed that everywhere she turned she saw them and she could not understand why the Latimers had not destroyed their old correspondence when packing. Even in passing between the two cottages she had seen a letter lying face down upon the grass. "Well, sometime she would pick it up — just now she was much too tired to worry about the Latimer's old letters."

Too tired to eat even, so she decided to let the lunch go and have a nap. After a brief and rather troubled sleep, Elaine became aware of a very gentle tapping and upon going to the door she found little Bettina, a child from a nearby hotel, outside. She then took the small visitor to the other cottage, knowing there would be toys there to keep mischievous hands busy and out of other things.

It seemed to be an afternoon of ups and downs as the child's wants were many and varied. And after several trips back and forth into the large cottage for a glass of water and other things her attention was once more called to the letter lying upon the grass.

She said to herself, "I will end this matter once and for all; I will pick the letter up now and take care of it so that strangers will not pick it up and read it."

She picked up the letter and just then she heard Bettina crying and saw her running toward her, holding up a bleeding finger. And so the afternoon passed after a fashion and the small visitor went home. Soon after Elaine started preparations for dinner as she expected her aunt to arrive by a later boat and she wished her to have a warm meal after the long and tiresome boat trip in the fog, which was now drifting in.

About eight o'clock Aunt Caroline arrived and at the close of a pleasant dinner together Elaine was startled by a sudden thought — her letter! She had meant to have taken it from her dress the moment she arrived. Her frenzied fears told her that it was gone, as indeed it was. Trying not to show her aunt that she was very much upset, but, at the same time snatching up a flashlight, she went carefully all over the cottage, looking into every nook and corner. Then she hurried

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Which Way Are You Looking?

By ELSIE McKENDRY

IT HAS been said that we see only what we want to see along life's journey.

Two persons stand on the brow of a hill at eventide, viewing the sunset. "What a beautiful sight!" cries one, and the other may answer, "But look! What dark shadows the mountains are casting in the valley!"

Two persons may describe the trip they have taken together. One tells of the beauty spots he has seen; the other remembers only the ugly places.

Think of the two little words, "on" and "out." The first brings to mind a going forward to something better; a look at the stars, with heads lifted ready to catch a clearer vision of what lies beyond.

Looking out—from the inside we see wonderful vistas, interesting events—and we know that our own little circle is not the whole world.

Too many go through life thinking only of what transpires within their own four walls. If we are willing to listen to other viewpoints, we can broaden our minds and thus progress to higher things.

The Gateway of the Gods

Astronomy and Astrology

By ETHEL BODENBURG

SCIENTISTS have discovered something which they term Astronomy. It is a material science which deals with the Heavenly bodies: the Sun, Moon, planets and the fixed stars, the Milky Way—in fact everything which deals with our planetary system and all starry systems pertaining to that great void called the Heavens.

Astrology is known to Astrologers as the energy behind Astronomy. Astrology is a science of the soul of those numerous stars, planets, etc. The *soul* of these planets sends out streams of *life* giving energy which act upon all life for better or for worse.

The planets of our planetary system control the emotions and the feelings of all humanity and it is through this planetary action that we are compelled to seek *cause* and *effect*. We know that five planets—Venus, Mars, Mercury, Jupiter and Saturn—rule the five physical senses and from this we understand and know that there is a higher energy which contacts the mind and is sent out to us from the planets—Neptune, Uranus and Pluto.

The emotion and the feelings of the five physical senses work in the astral world with the concrete mind. Exploring the astral realms we discover "CONTINUITY OF LIFE" by touching vibrations of those loved ones who have left us and journeyed on a short way ahead—and we can very easily reach them through a medium. Here we are at "The Gateway of the Shadow" for the astral world is but a shadow world at its best. This astral world belongs to the spiritual worlds and is called "The Spirit World."

There is a far brighter and a more glorious state of existence for us to discover; but we must *think* ourselves away from earthly feeling and emotion to arrive at a beginning of this journey to the "GATEWAY OF THE GODS." Matter or illusion must pass away and we must arrive at this conclusion: that we human beings are divine by the immaculate birth within. When we arrive at this conclusion we shall be ready to build toward the *Gateway*.

Neptune, Uranus and Pluto are the planetary rulers of the abstract mind and this *mind* is the one which arrives at the mountain top and looks out into space with *understanding* and *wisdom* shining with enthusiasm and illuminating the way to the *Spiritual Heavens*.

Venus, Mars, Mercury, Jupiter and Saturn—the planets which work with the concrete mind, do their work on the arc of *involution*. The three Heavenly orbs—Neptune, Uranus and Pluto—who work with the *abstract* mind, do their work on the arc of *evolution*. When our minds work with the energies of Neptune, Uranus and Pluto we find ourselves on our journey toward the *Mountain top of Consciousness*. At this time we must be very careful of our building or we may fall back and be like Lucifer —the *Bright Star* who fell into Hades.

A builder of any material structure employs an architect to lay out the plans, or blue prints; undoubtedly he will select an architect who has a great capacity for understanding material construction. If he is a careful builder he will select a foundation which will be the strength of the completed structure. Let you and I build a *thought structure* in the shape of a ladder which will reach to "The Gateway of the Gods."

First we must find a solid foundation. This *foundation* is PEACE—LOVE—HARMONY; these three words compose one of the greatest achievements. Until we know *Peace* within—until we have *Love* for all who breathe the breath of life—until we put *Harmony* into all material and spiritual activities we do not have a safe foundation to lead us to that Gateway. If our foundation is built on Peace, Love and Harmony, we will climb the ladder. This ladder has twelve levels with many rungs between. On the first level we walk into *Leadership* and *Officiousness;* we will have harsh initiative with great activity, dictatorial rulership with great power, conceited benevolence with religious urges. We may be able to step from this level as a leader who has great *power* and *initiative*, one who uses his power in *benevolent* actions. To reach this level we must persevere. This rung is the *Gateway of Consciousness* through the sign of "ARIES."

The second level is one of stability and obstinacy; our affection will be pliant—we must struggle through expression and restfulness toward *Protracted* Concentration; we must master Selfishness and work out a system. This rung is the Gateway of Consciousness through the sign "TAURUS."

The third level is one of *versatility and changeableness*. We must become *original* without being eccentric and work out our individuality. This rung is the Gateway of Consciousness through the sign "GEMINI."

The fourth level is one of *Tenacity* and touchiness; our moods are adaptable and inconstant. Universal urges may be Spiritual or inverted, but either way they will be a *Revelation*. We are looking for Utopia and so must search through *Mother Nature*. Our search may be rewarded with *ideals*. This rung is the Gateway to Consciousness through the sign "CANCER."

The fifth level is one of Kindness and Domination. There is a lot of *power* on this level and we must learn to be kind. Perhaps our former ways may change and we will become ambitious for the *higher things*. This rung is the Gateway of Consciousness through the sign "VIRGO."

The sixth level is one of Analysis and Criticism. On this level we learn *Renunciation*. This rung is the Gateway to Consciousness through the sign "LIBRA."

The eighth level is one of Resourcefulness and Troublesomeness. We must become *Responsible* and with our ideas reach toward *Attainment*. This rung is the Gateway of Consciousness through the sign "SCORPIO."

The ninth level is one of Loyalty and Sportiveness. On this level we comprehend the meaning of *Devotion*. Exploration and Illumination. This rung is the Gateway of Consciousness through the sign "SAGITTARIUS."

The tenth level is one of Diplomacy and Deceitfulness. On this level we will make *martyrs* of ourselves for our *Ideals*. This rung is the Gateway of Consciousness through the sign "CAPRICORN."

The eleventh level is one of Altruism and Argumentation. There is *Inspiration* for the individual of social state. This rung is the Gateway of Consciousness through the sign "AQUARIUS."

The twelfth level is one of Sympathy and Worry. The Utopian Ideals through self sacrifice can become *Universal thought*. This rung is the Gateway of Consciousness through the sign "PISCES."

Can you *lead* without being Officious?

Can you be *stable* without being Obstinate?

Can you be *versatile* without being Changeable?

Can you have *tenacity* without being Touchy?

Are you *kind* without being Dominant?

Do you *analyze* and not Criticize?

Are you *affable* and not Approbative?

Are you *resourceful* and not Troublesome?

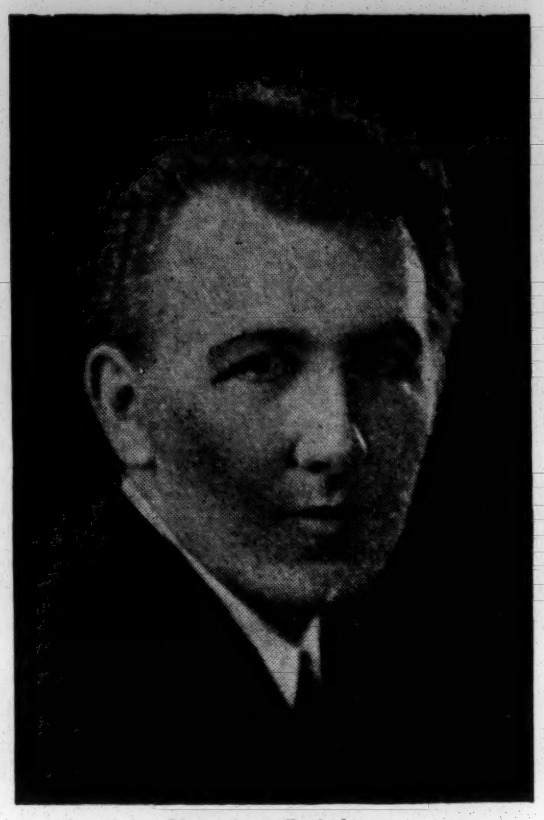
Are you *loyal* without being sportive about it—are you *True Blue?*

Are you *diplomatic* or are you Deceitful?

Is your mind filled with *altruistic* ideals or is it argumentative?

Can you have sympathy with a brother without the worry which usually attends sympathy? These are things which *must* be mastered.

If you are a Leader who is staple, versatile, tenacious, kind, analytic, affable, resourceful, loyal, diplomatic and if you have Altruistic ideals and Sympathy for all mankind — you *stand* at The Gateway of the Gods. This is a state of Self-consciousness, of Unutterable Bliss, which we are seeking.



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WORLD OUTLOOK

October, 1937

THE lunation for this month taking place on the 4th, occurs in 10th degree of Libra: an airy, reproductive, and intellectual zodiacal sign, ruled by Venus.

For America there are radical changes to take place in all governmental activities, new laws, regulations and requirements. Labor difficulties spring up all over the land. There will be some tremendous interest manifested in the hospitals, asylums and other public institutions. The Administration meets with some stiff opposition and criticism.

The Stock Market is apt to sink to severe low levels but may rally and boost prices later in the month. Industrial strifes bring strange fears to the people. There is much printed and spoken about unemployment, the working man, and large combines. Consolidation of several large concerns causes some comment and excitement.

Deaths of officials and prominent people in the news of the day strike quite regularly through the month. There will be a famous murder and a famous suicide.

Storms, earthquakes, and strange freaks of nature occur in several sections of the country. A certain disease or epidemic may get a good start unless health authorities attend to this at once.

Aviation, Shipping and Railroads come in for their share of confusion now. There will be terrible accidents and confusions within their own organizations.

Business conditions over the nation, however, appear to be brisk and prosperous. Production will go forward, manufacturing will increase and commerce picks up, especially at the end of the month.

Europe seeths with tension. England has some important part to play in international affairs. Italy is expanding and strengthening herself abroad.

Japan comes into the headlines, as does Mexico and Germany. Mexico may undergo some trials and undermining influences at this time which tends to upset her present governmental set-up. This is instigated by some European nation and the agitation may result in seriousness later.

The month is by all means one of excitement, fears, progress and strange happenings that come like a flash.

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For the Zodiacal Signs

ARIES

(For those born between Mar. 21-April 19)

You are in the very midst of strong subjective influences here which may cause you to encounter some disagreeable conditions. You have been taught a certain amount of psychology in school and you must use it here to overcome worry and annoyances. You need to guard your health. Have news of illness and possible news of bereavement. Finances are good, however, if you do not permit yourself to become too rattled mentally. Postpone travel.

TAURUS

(For those born between April 20-May 20)

There is a bit of disquietude demonstrated here for you. It is likely that you will not feel equal to the tasks set before you. Seek good advice before making decisions. Stay out of all entanglements of gossip, arguments and slander. Safeguard your health and protect your money. May have some disagreeable contacts with some associates, but do not take this so seriously. Spend your spare time reading, studying or attending amusements.

GEMINI

(For those born between May 21-June 21)

Personal and professional affairs seem to prosper early in the month, but become somewhat involved and confused the last of the month. Manage everything with circumspection and take no risks or chances. Opportunities for travel are shown which could terminate pleasantly and successfully. There is apt to be some definite change in your routine of life some way now. The success of your enterprises is assured. General good health is shown.

CANCER

(For those born between June 22-July 22)

There are opportunities lurking everywhere for you at this time. Changes for the better occur in every department of your life. Opportunity for travel and for engaging in new undertakings that will be highly successful if you promote them diligently. It may be that someone will use their influence in such a way as to give you a successful boost in the realization of your ambitions. News from a distance.

LEO

(For those born between July 23-Aug. 22)

This month brings you forward out of the confusions of the past. The doors which have been closed will open. Better working conditions and possibly an increase in your income. Everything

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Personal Astrological Daily Guide

Gallery of Letters With Their Meaning

G: Capital G means a very good day. Ask favors, seek work, sign papers, promote your affairs, take trips, advertise, make friends, investigate, attend to everything of importance. Go places and do things.

g: Small g means a slightly good day. On these days attend to usual routine, make offers, entertain company, visit, write letters, send telegrams, take short trips, improve your personal affairs. Buy things, sell and invest.

A: Capital A means an adverse day. On these days use care and caution in all dealings, avoid accidents, losses, thefts, and guard your health. Also be careful of misunderstandings and engage in no arguments. Take no risks or chances.

a: Small a means a slightly adverse day. On these days attend only to necessary duties, strive to keep cheerful, avoid hurts and wounds, make haste slowly and seek dependable advice before acting. Avoid domestic inharmony.

D: Capital D means a doubtful day. Quite likely on these days several alternate good and adverse influences prevail and you should be discreet in all activities. Do not take too much for granted — don't be too sure. Postpone things.

N: Capital N means a Neutral day. On this day the influences are equally balanced, therefore it is not a very important day. Go about your usual affairs with usual prudence and it will be a successful but uneventful day.

C: Capital C means a Critical day. On these days you should be unusually careful and cautious in everything. Be sure to avoid accidents, sudden losses, explosions, falls, hurts, cuts and bruises. Undertake NOTHING important.

F: Forenoon of this day is good, but the afternoon is adverse; therefore the A.M. should be considered as G and the P.M. as A.

P: Afternoon is good but the forenoon is adverse. Therefore the day should be considered as A in A.M. and G in P.M.

E: This letter will be used in combination with other letters and pertains to the Evening of any day when the Evening influences differ from the influences of the rest of the day. A letter E added to any day means the evening is good for romance, pleasure seeking, amusements, visiting, short trips and general recreations.

V: This letter will also be used in combination with other letters when the evening hours differ from the rest of the day. The letter V added to any day means the evening is adverse for risks or ventures and it is best to remain at home and engage only in quiet recreations with friends or family.

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For those whose birthdays occur between: Date	Mar. 21—Apr. 19 Ari.	Apr. 20—May 20 Tau.	May 21—June 21 Gem.	June 22—July 22 Can.	July 23—Aug. 22 Leo.	Aug. 23—Sept. 22 Vir.	Sept. 23—Oct. 22 Lib.	Oct. 23—Nov. 21 Sco.	Nov. 22—Dec. 21 Sag.	Dec. 22—Jan. 19 Cap.	Jan. 20—Feb. 19 Aqu	Feb. 20—Mar. 20 Pis.
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2	a	G	a	G	A	N	D	g	a	G	a	g
3	aE	gV	aE	gV	aE	NV	DE	gV	aE	gV	aE	gV
4	G	a	g	a	G	a	N	D	G	a	g	a
5	GV	aE	gV	aE	GV	aE	NV	DE	GV	aE	gV	aE
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7	A	G	a	g	A	g	a	N	D	g	a	G
8	aE	gV	aE	gV	aE	gV	aE	NV	DE	gV	aE	gV
9	g	a	G	A	g	a	G	a	N	D	G	a
10	gV	aE	gV	AE	gV	aE	GV	aE	NV	DE	GV	aE
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15	GV	aE	gV	AE	GV	aE	gV	AE	GV	aE	NV	DE
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30	aE	gV	aE	GV	AE	NV	DE	GV	aE	gV	aE	GV
31	G	a	g	A	G	a	N	D	G	a	g	a

DIRECTIONS: First find the column which includes your birthday, then look down that column of letters until you come to the date of the month you wish (given at the left). After securing the key-letter for that date refer to the Gallery of Letters to find out the indications for that day. When more than one letter is given for any day look up both letters for that day and govern yourself accordingly.

This is a Daily Guide for each Zodiacal Sign for the present month.

Remember that when a day is marked G it is good for most all progressive things, even though they might not be mentioned in the paragraph. Remember that a day marked A is adverse for most all progressive things, even though they are not mentioned in the paragraph.

Practical Lessons in Palmistry for the Lay Reader

By ALICE DENTON JENNINGS

Alice Denton Jennings

IN ALL countries, all civilizations, the study of the hand has always been associated with the study of life itself. This study is only one more of the many books of Nature where God writes its history on leaves, on stones and on everything.

Contrary to common conception, the study of the hand has occupied some of the greatest minds in all ages. The ancient Greek civilization is still considered the highest and most intellectual the world has ever known, and it is significant that the study of the hand found favor in the eyes of these highly cultivated philosophers whose works and teachings are perpetuated today in all the great universities and colleges of the world.

Thousands of years before Christ the Chinese carved the hand and its mysterious markings on their monuments and their temples. So did the Japanese, the Persians and the Hindoos.

Medical science has demonstrated the fact that when a child is born it has not an idea. Its entire brain, which is divided into the right and left hemisphere, is a blank, and that what the child knows afterward is what some outside source records in one of the hemispheres. Medical science has also demonstrated the fact that one of the hemispheres of the brain alone is the seat of the entire intelligence, and that the other hemisphere, so far as has yet been discovered, is forever blank and unintelligent.

The natural question is that if only one hemisphere of the brain develops, how is that hemisphere selected? This question is answered in Dr. W. Hanna Thompson's "Brain and Personality," in which he says that "the endowment of one hemisphere or the other as the seat of intelligence is not owing to any special fitness for such a function, but solely because it is the hemisphere related to the most used hand in childhood."

Self-education with the individual always begins with the stretching forth of the hand, therefore the hand which is most used to learn by, determines which hemisphere of the brain shall know the seat of intelligence.

Medical science has demonstrated also that by generations of continual use, the nerves from the brain to the hand have become extra highly sensitized, and to quote Sir Charles Bell, eminent English scientist: "We ought to define the hand as belonging exclusively to man, corresponding in its sensibility and motion to the endowment of the brain." In Aristotle's writings we find: "The hand is the organ of organs, the active agent of the passive powers of the entire system."

Quintilian, speaking of the hand, says: "For the other parts of the body assist the speaker, but these, I may say, speak for themselves: They ask, they promise, they express fear, joy, grief, our doubts, our assents, our penitence, they show moderation, profusion, they mark number and time."

Whenever it can be done unobtrusively, observe hands. Their owners would be surprised at the tales they tell. Fingers that are short and stubby, with the nails short, indicate the naturally pugilistic nature.

The hand that shows the space between the first and second joints of the thumb noticeably slender, is the sign of a naturally brilliant mind. Where the first phalange of the thumb is unusually long, the indications are of one who will get what they go after, as this is a sign of unusual determination, and where there is a wide flare between the third and fourth fingers, such a one will know how to make others help them get what they want.

In a hand that shows unusual breadth under the fingers and at the base of the palm, there is a great love of physical activity, while if the outside of the hand is rather thick in appearance, the indications are of tremendous physical courage. A great many soldiers and seamen have this information.

In a hand where the little finger flares quite noticeably from its neighbors, this is an indication of a trigger-like quality of thought and action. It emphasizes daring and love of adventure.

In a hand where the index finger is comparatively long and well formed there is usually natural born leadership, whereas if the finger tip is pointed, the indications are of quickness of perception. Such a one is an excellent picker of subordinates.

In a hand where the thumb is stiff and firm there is usually firm determination to win out in any fight where the owner believes himself to be in the right.

In a hand where there is a generous stretch between the thumb and fingers there is a tendency to be extravagant in the expenditure of time, money and strength.

In a hand where the third finger has a rather square tip, the indications are of a keen appreciation of originality in others. That is, providing the originality is practical rather than visionary. Speaking generally, square finger tips indicate a practical turn of mind.

A long, pointed little finger is often the indication of tact and diplomacy, the ability to manage others.

In a hand where both thumbs are unusually long and not overly flexible the indications are of an excellent mind. This is especially true if there is a strong, well-defined line of head.

In a hand where there is a flare between the first and second fingers, or between the third and fourth, the indications are of the ability to make decisions and stick to them.

Where the hands themselves are quite flexible there is adaptability and sometimes impulsiveness. Where the fingers are long and rather stiff the indications are of one who readily becomes absorbed in the work at hand.

Where the second finger is somewhat rounded or pointed there is an indication of natural optimism. Such a one will refuse to be floored by disappointment.

Where the third phalange of the fingers, those next to the palm, are full and rounded, the indications are for a fondness for luxury and the niceties of life.

People who are lucky at games of chance nearly always have a long third finger.

Where the thumb flares widely from the fingers and the fingers from each other, the indications are of impulsiveness and generosity, uncurbed by cold reason. With a hand like this there is no cautious searching for ulterior motives.

Where there is a plump cushion-like formation at the base of the index finger the indications are for a love of approbation.

Where the hand has a long thumb, flexible at both joints, the indications are of a love for the dramatic and very often unusual ability along this line.

A calculating nature is often shown by long, knotted fingers. This is especially the case where the head line is long and straight, without a curving, downward droop.

Egotism is indicated by thick, white, soft hands. Energy is indicated by a firm hand with a well-developed pad of flesh under the index finger.

Executive talent is indicated by a long little finger, called the finger of Mercury, reaching to the base of the

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THE ALTAR OF CAIN AND ABEL

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THE altar upon which sacrifice is made by priest and devotee is repeatedly mentioned in the symbolical stories current in various lands. In religious observances of the past it has ever held a position of importance, particularly in those religions in which the propitiation of astral entities forms an essential part of the ceremonies.

The departed friends and ancestors come under the astrological rule of the eighth house, pictured by Scorpio; but elementals and various other astral entities, particularly those which attempt to deceive or enslave their votaries, come under the rule of the twelfth house, pictured by Pisces. To have significance where both the house of death and the house of astral entities are concerned, in selecting the appropriate place for Ara, the altar in the sky, the ancients allotted it, therefore, to the Pisces-decanate of Scorpio.

To reveal its true significance, it could picture a decanate of no other sign than Scorpio; for sacrifices are made either to the light or to the darkness, to true religion as represented by Sagittarius, or to blind and erroneous belief as indicated by Pisces, the other sign which Jupiter, the religious planet, rules. Or to state it more precisely, sacrifices are made to the beast in man, pictured by the vile and treacherous Scorpion, or to the angel in man, pictured by the high-soaring Eagle.

Pluto, the co-ruler of Scorpio, has dominion over the invisible world, over both the Spiritual Heavens and the astral Hells. One side of its influence enables the individual to contact the highest realm of all and the other brings the individual into touch with the most degraded and terrifying wickedness. Scorpio, according to tradition, is the Great Deceiver. Consequently when opportunity offers for the inversive influence of Pluto to get in its work, true religion and spiritual aspirations are given such a twist as to lead the devotee into folly and wickedness under the belief he is practicing that which is good in the sight of God.

It was customary, for instance, among the ancient peoples of Mexico at prescribed times astrologically ascertained to bring to the priests for sacrifice upon the altar fruits and flowers. Flowers, of course, are the reproductive parts of plants and thus ruled by Scorpio; and the fruits are the issue, containing the seeds which permit of a new generation. This ceremony, from which is derived the custom of hanging May baskets, signified the knowledge that the purpose of incarnation on earth is to develop the seeds of spirituality, that the experiences of earth can be used to unfold the beauties of the soul, even as blooms the flower; and that the desires of the devotee to devote all his resources, as symbolized by his offering to the development of those qualities which make him a better citizen of the universe, lead to the highest happiness.

Whatever the sacrifice on the altar might be, if it were burnt, the smoke ascending and the aromas permeating the air, symbolically conveyed the idea that the motives and desires were carried into the invisible world, attracting intelligences of a quality corresponding to the nature of the sacrifice, who, it was believed, would assist the individual in attaining that for which the sacrifice was offered.

For instance, as related in Numbers 22 and 23, Balak desired to employ Balaam to bring a curse upon the Israelites, and sent word to him: "For I will promote thee unto very great honor, and I will do whatever thou sayest unto me: come therefore, I pray thee, curse me this people."

When finally Balaam was persuaded to come to Balak, he was taken to a high place where he could see all the people that he might bring a curse upon them: "And Balaam said unto Balak, Build me here seven altars, and prepare me here seven oxen and seven rams. And Balak did as Balaam had spoken; and Balak and Balaam offered on every altar a bullock and a ram."

Here we have an effort typical of the inversive side of Pluto, showing that the employment of a magician to bring

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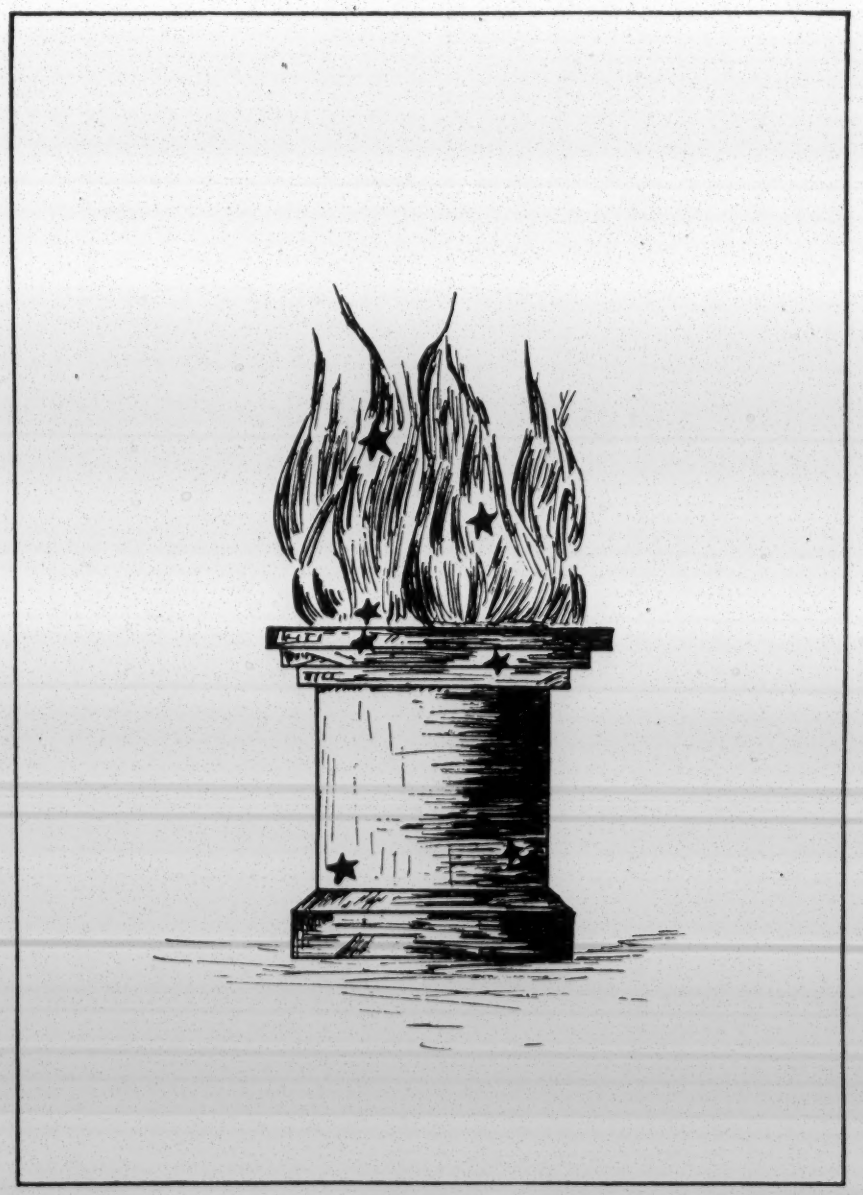

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L.B.W., Mass. — Your keynote is Three (Jupiter) and this clashes with the number of your residence of which the unit value is Five (Mercury). You should live in a place where the unit value is either the same as your keynote or in harmony with it. Numbers which reduce to Three, Four, Six or Seven are all right for you.

E.F., Calif.—You are certainly not in a successful vibration. The name you are now using is negative when combined with your birth vibration. The name as given at birth was better. Your P.O. box adds to Eight, the symbol of Saturn, and indicates conditions of frustration, deprivation, disease, etc. You would do better elsewhere if you were careful to avoid such numbers.

J.E.B., Wis.—The over-sensitivity of the nickname was unfortunate, since your original name was better and more positive than the one you chose. Written out in full, your name as you were christened vibrates to the positive Sun (Number One), which is vital in health and success. Used with the middle initial it is allied to Mercury and harmonizes with intellectual, commercial and scientific pursuits.

M.J.F., Pa.—Your first name vibrates to Saturn and your last name to Mars (Eight and Nine). The initial "J" interposes its Jupitarian (Three) influence to prevent too violent a reaction, but the whole combination produces the Unit value of TWO, Negative Moon, which is negative and unfortunate. Whoever told you Nine, the number of Mars, was fortunate or your lucky number, surely gave you a bit of bad advice, since this would emphasize the discordant features. You need a different name value, which you could secure by using "D," "T" or "M" as a middle initial in place of "J." This would make Three and Seven fortunate for you.

L.G., Wash.—The resumption of your maiden name would be a fine thing, since it would then give you Three, the number of Jupiter, for a name vibration. This emphasized by your Mars birth unit should prove fortunate indeed. Your present signature responds to Negative Moon, which is not so good.

M.J.C., N. Y.—Your name in full is in harmony with the number Three and Jupiter, which is the vibration of generosity and sympathy, benevolence, optimism and success. Used with the middle initial it has the vibration of Mercury and the number symbol, Five, and is attuned to science, commerce, invention and intellect. Your Birth Unit is that of the Positive Sun, One. You should be vital, active and successful, even though Saturn and the Negative Moon are conjoined in your birth data. You are prone to accidents and should avoid risks of any nature.

E.S.A., Ohio — Intellect, rhythm, artistic inclinations, love of pleasure and social gatherings, popularity, intuition and the possibility of success from publicity are shown by the factors of your name. However, since your birth date was not given, I cannot tell whether it harmonizes with the value of the name vibration, or perhaps alters the reading.

L.D.W., Penna.—Try to get a house with the Unit Number Three. This will be the very best and most fortunate for you. Do NOT get in one which has a Unit Number of Five or Seven. At present you are in a Two, which is not very good, either. Number One would be second best for you.

T.S.H., N. C.—Your married name has the vibration of Venus, Six. This is good of itself, but it clashes with your Birth Unit, which is Five, Mercury. I would advise you to use your own first name, the middle initial "G" and your husband's last name. This combination also responds to Five, Mercury, and is therefore in perfect harmony with the Birth Unit and will fit you for intellectual pursuits.

Correction

In the September issue of The Occult Digest, page 16, under the heading, "Refractions," sub-title "Harmones," by Gene Fosdick, should have read—"Harmones," by Chas. C. Haas.

Not knowing where to lay the blame we just say the Editor was not pleased either.

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Dreams — (*Continued from page 12*)

"What about the woman on the floor in the next room?" I asked.

"She is dead," replied the woman in blue. "They have stoned her."

I noticed that we were alone and that the crowd of women had left the room.

"That was cruel," I said. "I would not be in your shoes for anything in this world!"

She tottered and fell to the floor. As I knelt to loosen her clothes I saw that she wore red undergarments. I thought it was very queer, so I said, "Are you related to the woman they have stoned?"

"I was that woman," she said, "once."

"She was my mother," said my youngest son. He wept.

"You are now my son," said the woman in velvet.

"Come," I said to my eldest son, "Can you straighten this out?"

"You are our mother," he said slowly. "But she is also our mother, and the other woman was our mother, too. All women are our mothers."

"And what am I," I asked, feeling puzzled.

"You," he smiled, "are every boy's mother. Freddie's and Jim's and Tony's and Pete's as well as ours."

As we walked out of the house I saw a scrap of red cloth on the floor where the first woman had lain. Now she was gone, and I felt ashamed when I thought of a boy named Tony whom I had disliked and refused to allow in my house because his mother was not thought well of. Then I said to my two tall sons as they walked on either side of me, "Tell Tony he is invited to our house for dinner tomorrow night. We will have strawberry shortcake."

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The Master of Universal Law — (*Continued from page 11*)

disobey, you must fall a victim to the correcting processes of my laws. I am forever correcting every mishap to keep the Universe immortally alive. My law of Change keeps every part renewed inwardly and when I cannot change your parts inwardly in your present instrument because of your mischievous conduct, I then must make my law change your parts outwardly. My laws of Life then renew the material for another form.

Forces: It is well for your scientists not to speak of many forces. I am capable of doing everything and I am only one. I should not become confused with many things. When your scientists discovered electricity they soon used it for light, heat, motor power, etc. They do not speak of electricity as the Force of Heat. the Force of Light or the Force of Motor Power. They should not speak of my laws as having many forces, etc. The Law is only one and I am only one. My law is the law of Immortality.

What Am I? I am a Being. I am Something. I am an Intelligence. I am not scattered and am enveloped with the same perfect conditions that I desire all my children to possess. Those who say that I am not a Being, am scattered and do not emanate from a Central point are speaking of an Intelligence in the manner that must be nothing. A scattered, wild and uncontrolled condition cannot be of an Intelligence. Neither can an Intelligence be a rock or a mountain. Intelligence must exist in a Being. I am a Being.

Look at Me. I am the Cause. I am causeless within, without a beginning and without an end. I am complete inwardly, outwardly. I have endowed my children with an intelligence. A long time ago they were good children, big and perfect, of a primary structure and superior dimensions. I taught them the ways of immortality. The intelligence I endowed them with was meant to grasp my principles of Life. For a while they listened and learned the mysteries of life. They kept in tune with my laws. Soon they became mischievous. The primary, perfect structure became a subsequent structure and then an ultimate structure. Much was lost in power and perfection. I had to bring many other things into existence to keep my loving children aloft. Some day they shall leave the strayed path and come back to their all-loving Mother.

Hear Ye Wise Men of Today—The wise man lives midst the flowers and the birds, right in the woods, close to nature. He seeks not the pathway leading to temptation for he desires once again to be the free man and not the slave. It is not the lot of the wise man to be anybody's slave and to be free is to be free from all temptation. What if a man gains material wealth—is he then free? Why must a man burden himself with the filthy lucre, responsible for most of the woes in this world. Will it not lead him to the pathway of wrong? Build up your castles of straw as protection against the rain (in the warmer climates) and eat of the products of the soil. Labor for thyself and for thy enjoyment. Such labor is one of pleasure and of perfect freedom. Throw off the chains that have brought misery, ill health and death. Stretch out your arms once again and absorb all the wonderful currents of life. They are free and were meant to do you good. Go to the places that are good. Those are the places where man belongs. See it making the impression very strong in your minds. You get the feel of the good at once because it is the truth, and oh, how you want to be there once again, in that home where man belongs, in tribes of hundreds, with a lofty philosopher as the supreme guide and lover of his children. Man must become once again happy and peaceful. We herald far and wide the message of Health and Peace. May the world awaken to a new understanding, throw away the implements of destruction, banish war, rise to the plane of a greater life and enjoy the fullness of a healthier existence.

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The Law That Abideth — (*Continued from page 3*)

the victims of religious phobia. The greatest task and the greatest duty that a progressive and instructive mind could take upon himself would be to free the world from the bondage of all known creeds operating under the name of religion, giving to each soul freedom —freedom to choose, to think, to search and to reveal that precious jewel to his fellow man that he may fearlessly and hopefully establish another frontier.

In the wilds where educated humanity has never set foot there are human beings called savages living under the law and the circumstances which placed them there until civilized man began to build frontiers.

Time brings man through many changes but the Law is the same forever and ever whether it creates a babe in the jungle or a babe in the palace of the King, the Law remains intact. Humanity means no more to the wind than the waves of the sea. Humanity in the great frontiers of civilization means no more to the first cause than the roving inhabitants of the wilderness where man's foot has never trod. The Law creates but it does not define nor does it protect its creation. Always and always, he who survives the battle is master until a stronger foe attacks. The two great polls that revolve around each other and maintain and establish boundary lines is cause and effect. The manifestation of Life today is the effect of the great force of the past pushing forward, driving men and women into new and overwhelming circumstances and those who were able to survive build monuments to mark the place of their victory. In lives and in nations in the past and in the present the Law is not a human factor and it recognizes not the human needs or rights. On the ground, on the seas, the battle rages and now in this cycle of illumination and elimination, in the air the battles are fought and the great fires of creation versus destruction cease not their fighting and when the cycle passes a new frontier will be established and the strongest will be the victor. The great battle that is being fought today is which of the two forces shall be superior—that which governs construction or that which governs destruction. Man has reached the stage of his greatest achievements. To what use shall they be put? Will the babes yet in the mother's arms meet the same fate that those of an earlier age met by the selfsame controlling force and go down to defeat or will those into whose care these little ones are entrusted be victorious in their guardianship and stay the tide of merciless warfare and control these great outposts created on their last frontier intact for their charges?

The Law does not change. Man changes and in this last great change that has been given to him for his comfort, for service, for advancement—shall *it* go into the *debris* of the past or shall it be *utilized* for the fulfillment and growth of a greater frontier of *human rights?*

Tertia Motus — (*Continued from page 7*)

45 degree angle out of anything under consideration, starting with a point and ending in a perfect triangle; as if a door is opened toward one. This third movement gives penetrating power to the mind and the starting point always lies in the division of the psychic crystal; from thence its backward stroke travels like the ripple of the water's surface into immensity.

Once this rhythm has permeated man's mental and physical plane, his days of doubt and sickness are over. Whatever he performs will have the rhythm of the soul in it. Once man gets conscious hold of these forces they become part and parcel of his being, they are interwoven in his daily task, they constitute the purifying and renewing power during his exertions. No aggregation of his body will remain independent, for the highest vibrations of any center throughout his system will be "milled" through by the third movement. In other words, the fire released through the exercise of any center, will differentiate for the benefit of the whole Being, thus every action becomes a sacrifice unto the polarized man within the display of his inner forces. This third movement makes a perfect metaphysical basis out of the mind pervading the whole human body, thus the mind has become the body plus cosmic intelligence and rhythm. This cosmic rhythm purifies the mind and the cerebro-spinal system, it sublimates the emotions and the sympathetic nervous system and the positive ray of the first and the negative ray of the latter have their creative intercourse in the cosmic realm of the para-sympathetic system.

Once man gets the "knack" of it the whole procedure can be followed by a child. By constructing an apparatus for every nervous system to measure the vibrations man will be able to cure many an incurable disease. Through this artificially enhanced rhythm man may cure diseases, but to enhance the rhythm for spiritual evolution the human intellect is not wanted, for the white heat of the intellect destroys the path that leads to the secret and heart of anything to be discerned. Dissect a rose via the intellect and one destroys forthwith the basis upon which the fragrance collects its crystals to form a rose. Approach the same rose with a mind cooled and balanced by the rhythm of the third force and intercourse with the rhythm of the rose is established and its secrets are laid bare through this communion.

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Practical Palmistry — (*Continued from page 20*)

nail of the second finger, called the finger of Saturn.

Generosity in indicated by supple-jointed fingers, especially if the first joint of the thumb shows a tendency toward turning back.

Impatience is indicated where there is a ring-like formation around the base of the second finger, called the finger of Saturn. Individuals with this marking are prone to want to skip the hard spots in life and take a flying leap to the top of the ladder.

An inventive turn of mind is indicated by long first phalanges of the fingers, and this tendency is intensified where the finger tips are spatulate or fan shaped.

A well-developed sense of justice is indicated by a thumb that joins the palm at a right angle, and where this angle is wider than a right angle, this sense of justice is often tinged with sentimentality. Where the angle is more acute than a right angle, the sense of justice is often tempered by conventionality.

The power of inspiration is indicated by a pointed little finger, called the finger of Mercury, when the other fingers are either square, rounded or fan shaped. The quality of inspiration goes far beyond the power of imparting information.

The left hand shows natural endowment. The right hand shows what we have done with our birth-right.

A Message from a Soul — (*Continued from page 2*)

Once man had the power to clothe himself, to feed and protect himself. He had the power to live within the perfectness of his *law* and had he kept within the law the world today would not be fighting for the possessions of his neighbor. Each man would be the creator of supply for all his needs. The revolution of the earth's universe will eventually bring humanity into human ways of living—into the prosperity that prospers—away from the prosperity that impoverishes the greater number of its inhabitants.

The evolution of the species of Life will bring a unity of purpose and nothing will be the enemy of another specie of Life. Man does not try to reason Life from its causes. Man only reasons Life from his needs and his reactions *to* Life. Each group build for themselves and hang warning signs notifying all to "keep out." The law of universal knowledge cannot be comprehended by any of these groups, setting up barriers of notification, calling attention to their greatness.

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Premonitions — (*Continued from page 6*)

other direction. She died instantly. My mother would never allow me to tell fortunes with tea leaves after that.

On the afternoon of March 8, 1933, which was Wednesday, a friend of mine asked me to go to a message circle with her. As I was interested I was glad to go. When the reader got to me in the circle she said: "It seems to me you are a nurse, at any rate I see you where beds are close together in a row, as in a dormitory or a hospital ward but there is broken glass all around you and houses are tumbled down. Lots of people are injured and killed." This was all she told me and on the way home I told my friend that I was disappointed. I said, "I think that reader has her wires crossed. I am not a nurse, I know nothing of beds in dormitories or hospital wards and there is no one sick or injured at our house." Then I dismissed it from my mind.

Friday, March 10, 1933, was a strange day. I was nervous all day and found myself many times standing at the dish cupboard looking at my good dishes and the thought came to me over and over that I really should go out to the garage and get some boxes and old papers and pack those dishes. I tried to dismiss this as foolish. There was no reason for it. I was not going to move, and I used the dishes right along. But the idea persisted. Finally I told my aunt about it. I told her I had an almost irresistible urge to pack the dishes. She laughed at me as there was no reason for packing them. So I did not follow the urge. At five minutes to six that evening we had an earthquake and as one who knows I will say it was a real earthquake. My dishes were thrown from the cupboard and most of them smashed to bits, not leaving enough to use. The chimney and the fireplace in our house fell down. A large brick building beside us collapsed and it was feared the following "shakes"—of which we had hundreds in the ensuing days—would demolish our house so we moved out into the garage and we had to sleep for the next ten days on three beds in a row on the floor of the garage and there was plenty of broken glass and dishes, tumbled down houses and hurt and killed. It was ten days before we could get out to find a place to live as one was not allowed to go in and out of the devastated area excepting to go to work and my husband had to have a pass from the sheriff's office to go back and forth. Now I think I should have packed the dishes.

This same March 10, 1933, a friend of mine had been home all day and all day she had worried about her husband. He was in his office downtown and she knew he was all right as she had talked to him on the telephone several times. As it got late in the afternoon she decided to go down and ride back home with him. She went down to his office and was there for a while and about a quarter to six they decided to go home as soon as he finished some papers he was writing. In the meantime she thought of something she needed at the market across the street and asked her husband to go with her to get it. He told her to go alone and he would be through by the time she got back. She just begged him to go with her as she did not want to leave him there. He thought her nerves were in a terrible condition and told her to go on and he would wait for her, that she surely was not afraid to go across the street alone. So at last she did go. She was in the market making her purchases when the earthquake hit — she rushed to the entrance, part of the market fell down and several people were killed, but she hurried out. Across the street in his office her husband was finishing his work, and when the quake came he rushed out to see that his wife was all right. His office was demolished and falling bricks killed him.

That same afternoon two women, friends of mine, had decided to go to a show; they thought they would go late in the afternoon after the rush, so it was about five-thirty when they got to the theater. They had not been there more than ten minutes when one of them said to the other: "We must get out of here and go home"— The other woman said she thought that was very foolish; there was nothing to go home for, they had just paid a good price for their tickets, the show was a good one and they had never seen it. But the first woman insisted that they leave the theater and they had just got out of the building and a short distance away when the earthquake demolished the building and injured a number of people. The two women were unharmed. Afterward this woman said that she had hardly seated herslf in the theater when she felt such a fear and horror of the place that she felt she had to get outside the building.

A number of years ago some friends of our family, we will call them Mr. and Mrs. Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Smith, planned a trip to Europe. The Jones family had never been to Europe while the Smith family had crossed at least a dozen times. They went to New York to take the boat and as they were to sail early in the morning they went on board the evening before. As they went up the gangplank Mrs. Jones had a warning and foreboding of evil and insisted that they should not go on that ship; the others laughed at her and Mr. Smith told her not to get "cold feet" because it was her first trip. Mrs. Jones tried to persuade the others to give up the plan but they laughed her out of it and they went on board. In the morning there was a heavy fog and as they were leaving the harbor the boat was rammed by a foreign ship in the harbor and a large hole was made in the side of the ship right where the Jones and Smith families

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Bringing Your Stars to You — (*Continued from page 18*)

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VIRGO
(For those born between Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

While things may be a bit disturbing and you feel at a loss about many things, there is nothing serious. Your mental condition seems to be a little bit dampened and you must overcome a tendency to melancholia. It is unwise to take extensive trips at this time because they prove disappointing and expensive. Domestic unsettlement will not be as serious as it seems. Guard your health against nervousness.

LIBRA
(For those born between Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Rather obscure conditions are around you and you do not seem to be able to systematize your affairs. The month is uncertain for romantic risks. Beware of loss of friendships through your own carelessness. Prevent loss of money through extreme extravagance and over-generosity. News of bereavement and illness several times through the month. Suggest that you postpone travels, changes, removals and new things.

SCORPIO
(For those born between Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

At a time like this you need to be in good control of your mind. You are apt to sink into the depths of despondency for no reason at all. Many trifling vexations are around you which will try your patience to the limit. None of these things are real serious and you can overcome them with your will power. Do not engage in arguments of any kind and curb a tendency to become sarcastic. By all means prevent accidents in traffic.

SAGITTARIUS
(For those born between Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Several important operations and interests of the past will come to a successful termination here. Benefits or profits from past activities are sure to be your lot now. This month is one of high finances and new opportunities to improve your position in life. You may be sent on a trip suddenly or will be planning to take one soon. Almost everything you attempt to do will turn out as you wish it. Especially good health is shown.

CAPRICORN
(For those born between Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Delightful conditions and many pleasant experiences in your personal and social life. The month is one which will bring into your presence many favorable chances to advance socially or professionally. A new friendship develops which will mean a great deal to you later. Unexpected favors and news from many directions. There is a spurt in your finances. News of a death at a distance. Some concern about relatives or family.

AQUARIUS
(For those born between Jan. 20-Feb. 19)

Surprising things will probably develop early in the month which will lead you along a pathway that you had not planned upon. Whatever changes occur suddenly are for the best. This is definitely a month of unexpected developments. You will have strange feelings and lofty ambitions. The creative ability will be strong within you now—make use of it. Considerable correspondence is shown which somehow results in gain.

PISCES
(For those born between Feb. 20-March 20)

Joyousness and renewed hope are outstanding features as this month is ushered into life. Nothing will seem impossible to you. There is some likelihood of important changes taking place in your home life—these will be for the better. Some substantial increase in your income or a new source of income is indicated at this time. You will give and receive aid. Some friends will be extremely helpful to you at this time.

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were. Mr. Smith was washed out through the hole, his body never was found. Mrs. Smith was uninjured as was also Mr. Jones, while Mrs. Jones was badly injured. A piece of timber from the boat was rammed right into her side making a very bad wound. The passengers were all taken on board the ship which rammed the one they were on and the doctors were unable to remove this piece of timber from the side of Mrs. Jones until they could get her to a hospital for an operation, which was several hours later. She lived but was always an invalid. Many times afterward the surviving three of the party wished they had listened to the warning.

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a curse upon those it was desired to destroy was not uncommon in Bible times. But in this instance the effort failed, Balaam at the last instant refusing to pronounce the curse, and saying: "Surely there is no enchantment against Jacob, neither is there any divination against Israel."

In ancient Mexico, as the above incident from the Bible indicates was the case among the Semites, there were those who worked under the inversive side of Pluto who attracted to themselves not the eighth house influence so much as the twelfth house denizens and used them and were used by them to do injustice and to work evil.

Gradually and subtlely, as such underhanded forces always work, these priests of the shadow gained dominion over the religious observances of the land. After a battle, with blood lust still upon them it seemed to the populace quite the fitting thing that prisoners of war should be offered as a sacrifice upon the altar instead of the customary fruits and flowers. Especially so, as the priests told them that thus would the strength of the victims be inherited so it could be used against future enemies.

Once the custom was established of making human sacrifices it was easily extended to imply a demand by the gods for more and more victims. If prisoners of war were not forthcoming individuals from the populace must be selected, otherwise the anger of the gods would be visited upon the nation. And in time of national crisis, still more victims must be had in order to avert the threatened peril.

Mass murder, such as that practiced by modern racketeers with machine guns is typical of the lower influence of Pluto, co-ruler of the sign of death. The more cruel and bloodthirsty a killing is, the better it corresponds to this ruthless side of Scorpio. The Aztec priests of darkness, therefore, when they gained supremacy, devised a particularly horrifying method of human sacrifice. The victim was spread-eagled, face up on the altar, each hand and leg held by a priest. Another priest, after appropriate magical invocation to the gods (bloodthirsty elementals of the twelfth house), with a single slash of a stone knife ripped open the victim's breast and with the other hand tore the living, palpitating heart from the shrieking man or woman; then held the bloody trophy aloft as an offering to invisible beings and for the assembled populace to see. If the victim died before his heart was jerked from his agonized body the sacrifice was considered ineffectual.

So thoroughly had these twelfth house astrals brought the people under their bloody dominion, that just previous to the Spanish conquest several thousand living sacrifices were made each year, no day passing without its orgy of pain and blood. Thus Cortez—even after the capture of Tenochtotlan (Mexico City), the ancient capital of the Aztecs, in which after a siege he crowded 40,000 starving Indians into a densely packed square in the center of the city and put them to the sword—could report with some justification that he had put an end to impious practices and thus had contributed glory both to king and God.

The cruelty of the Spanish invaders, even with the rack and faggot, could perpetuate no greater horrors than those which the Aztec priests of the shadow also contributed in the name of religion. And as invariably follows when inversive forces gain command these bloody sacrifices led on to complete disaster. At the end, 40,000 helpless people were exterminated in the name of God.

To go still deeper into the teachings of the altar in the sky, let us consider the story of the first two children on earth. Genesis 4 relates that Cain was a tiller of the ground; by which is probably meant that his interests were material. Abel, on the other hand, was a keeper of sheep. Instead of being earth-earthy in his inclinations, it is implied that, like Aries, the fiery exaltation of the sun, his zeal and enthusiasm were for immaterial things.

Cain, with his purely physical outlook on life offered as his sacrifice to the Lord the fruits of the ground. That is he seemed to think like certain men at the present day that he could buy spirituality. Instead of turning the creative energies within himself into channels which would develop refinement of feeling and energize action which was above the plane of brute he merely worked hard to acquire material possessions and turned a portion of these over as a religious tithing.

Sheep are symbols of creative energy. This energy is of animal origin. When Abel, therefore, brought in the firstlings of his flock and the fat thereof and offered them as a sacrifice, the implication is that he sacrificed the animal part of himself and turned his creative energies into channels which would not express the gross, but would develop refinement and conduce to those actions which prove spirituality.

In other words, Cain was quite willing to sacrifice his material possessions; but he made no effort to change the brute within himself into something more acceptable. That this is the correct interpretation subsequent events seem to prove; for jealousy is one of those destructive emotions which are fed by the energy of unregenerate Scorpio. When he was reproved for his manner of living, instead of taking it in good part he became angry that his brother should have had better fortune than himself.

The altar pictures a decanate in the sign of death. Yet even though Abel was slain he had contacted the eagle side of Pluto. Cain, however, in his anger contacted the Scorpion side and

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his energies flowing into destructive channels wrought the death of Abel. Truly, the energies of Scorpio go aloft like the eagle or sink into the earth. To the extent they are present they must express.

The entire teaching which the ancients sought to convey by Ara, where the sun may be found each year from November 2 to November 12, is condensed in Cain's reply when the Lord asked him where was his brother, Abel: "And he said, I know not: Am I my brother's keeper?"

The Cains of earth always disclaim responsibility for that which befalls their fellowman. Although they occupy human forms they still function on the brute plane where fang and claw are dominant, and where each thinks only of his own welfare and totally disregards the effect of his actions on others. The Aztec priests and all other devotees of the shadow, in their basic character vibrations are still on the plane of selfish cruelty where the dominant thought is, not what it costs in suffering to others but how much can I gain for myself.

But every Brother of the Light must forever renounce such an attitude which attracts the twelfth house astral entities. The key-word for the Ara-decanate is responsibility; and those who would attract help and guidance from those truly spiritual must assume responsibility for contributing all within their power to the welfare of others.

The Bible indicates, Genesis, 22, that at one time, after the manner of the Aztec priests, Abraham was about to make a human sacrifice of his own son. But even as he lifted the knife to kill his boy where he lay bound upon the wood of the altar, he received illumination that convinced him that such was not a proper sacrifice; but that he must sacrifice a ram, that is, the animal within himself, turning its energies to the service of God.

In no other way can spirituality be attained. The energies which on the plane of the brute flow into channels of carnal delights and selfish gratification; if they are to be made acceptable to the higher planes of life, they must be diverted into channels of unselfish endeavor and sympathetic understanding of the problems and difficulties of others. The higher side of Pluto demands that the pattern of life shall be modeled on how much can be given and not on how much can be had.

Thus does the text follow: By Sacrificing His Animal Thoughts, Desires and Pleasures Upon the Altar of Aspiration to Higher Things Man Comes Into Possession of Intellectual and Spiritual Pleasures That Yield a Far Keener Delight.

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Workshop of the Cosmos — (*Continued from page 9*)

In the gaseous state each molecule retains all the chemical properties of the solid, liquid, and volatile substances, and the power from which it originated. Thus, unless it loses the specific character or sum of its atoms through motion and heat energy, it has the power to recreate the same substance it was released by. If altered by collision, it creates a different species as evolution directs, beginning new life on the bottom rung of creation, or else raising that which has been to a higher level.

The combined liberated molecules of a dead galaxy will recreate a similar galaxy. That is law. As the seed, so the offspring. An acorn will not grow an apple tree. However, the acorn will not become the same oak. It will be an oak more highly specialized than its predecessor. And some acorns will become fertilizer for other plants. As above, so below! A galaxy will produce a more highly evolved successor with a greater variety of life on it.

Energy is the radiant band that is as unchanging in the development of the ALL as the Law of Change is unchanging for the Mass.

Energy is recreated by itself in eternal cycles of Change from place to place, since the triad, spirit, force and matter, ever recreate each other. Increase or decrease of energy is local only, and there, subject to the action of time and space and regulated by the Law of Equalization in the creation of a new impetus in the mass life or the disbanding thereof.

For the great Unity of the ALL there is no standing still. Somewhere in the Cosmos the Triad moves, changes, destroys, while elsewhere a temporary rest may take place. The eternal cycle of form on the potter's wheel of KHNEMU never comes to a standstill. Night never rests on all of the Cosmos at the same time, but equally divides its place of dominion with day. The galaxy and its life forms may know the indrawing of the breath of Brahma—the Cosmos, as One, has no Nirvana, no rest.

The energy within a disbanding form wanders on to a new form. Each single individual entity existing, be it infinitely small or infinitely large, from an atom up to a galaxy, each has its life span, its inherent individuality, its limited sphere of influential power, its radiant Divine attributes. Every entity begins from *that which has been* and ends to serve in future grander forms. . . . This is Life Eternal. Always there is change in form, birth and death, growth and decay, but in the Grand Palace of the Three-in-One God, Spirit, Force and Matter, the Unity—not a particle is lost.

Constellations are not accidental, but drawn together by this energy. Groups of stars—say like Orion, or the Big Dipper—are like communities of man on Earth, drawn together by similar physical, mental and spiritual properties and having as one body the same limitations of energy. By all that science has thus far discovered star groups seem to be in sympathetic accord like men of like aims and understanding.

From the single star to the system, from system to group, from group to galaxy, each form makes its way in perfect harmony with the rest. It blends into the radiance of the whole, contributes to it, and while doing so evolves itself. When will we, the little stars, listen to the song of our elder brothers, the grand choir of the spheres chanting the Divine song of Unity?

Always the Brilliant Ones in Our Father's House encourage us to let our own light shine.

Peace—A Dove With Singed Wings — (*Continued from page 11*)

istic maneuver which released man power from production and created an artificial market, and hence a period of prosperity for the money powers.

Our World War and the present depression is a close reminder of this system of centralizing wealth. Before the Civil War the common people owned 54% of the national wealth and constituted 64% of the population. Today about 85% of the population owns approximately 3% of national wealth, consisting of clothing, furniture, and so on, and 3% of the population owns about 85% of national wealth.

When countless thousands are again carried off to the greatest conflict yet —ask any Astrologer when the date of the conflict will be—another artificial market will be made by the producers becoming, for a time, the consumers of their own commodities. When the warehouses are again empty of the surplus, sold at a high price by the money interests, of course, workers will again be hired—at reduced wages. When workers' wages are thus lowered, reducing their purchasing power, their remaining wealth will exchange hands through sale and mortgage so as to produce further purchasing power and fewer people will own more, and more people will own less.

When men shall conform to the Universal Law of Harmony and Peace, no such flimsy excuse as the killing of one individual as that which precipitated the World War, can ever again be used by selfish interests in the world to plunge the world into another war. "My peace I give unto you," said the Master, "Not as the world gives peace"—not a peace through armed preparedness for war, but through demonstrating love, the cohesive element of the universe.

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The Voice — (*Continued from page 16*)

out of doors, trying to retrace her steps of the afternoon. First unsuccessfully to the neighbor's cottage, the well, and at last and also unsuccessfully searching the grounds about both cottages. It simply was not there!

She wondered if someone had already picked it up — and she writhed in agony at the thought. The sickening feeling of losing something that never could be replaced, the horrible fear of prying eyes reading the treasured lines and of gossiping tongues making comments made her very ill indeed. It was almost unbearable, as this particular letter of Otto Holm's had of course, contained many personal matters — sacred to them, but it was rather an important letter as he had so chosen to write this last letter in detail regarding his work which was of a political nature and concerning matters of which Elaine would never have spoken to anyone.

She had one more hope left; possibly it had slipped out of her dress on the boat, and she decided that she would meet the boat tomorrow on its noon trip from the city. She hated the staring and curious eyes of the men but she must do it. Realizing that she could do no more that night she went to bed but not to sleep for many long hours. Lying there in the quietness of her room, in a profound stillness which was only broken now and then by the chug chug of a motor boat along the shore she was simply tortured anew by her loss.

Several hours passed thus, tossing from side to side and almost sick with worry — when all at once she became quite calm and so very much relieved, for it seemed to her that she heard a voice — and yet no one had spoken; but the feeling persisted that she had heard these words very clearly and distinctly.

"Why do you worry so? Calm yourself. You will find the letter." And then the last words trailed off and became rather indistinct, yet they were words nevertheless, "Closet, closet — in the closet." And the voice was the gentle, pleading voice of Otto Holm.

Elaine then went immediately and peacefully to sleep. The next morning she awakened refreshed, but almost at once the dull ache of despair settled over her again as she realized that she had slept very late and must hurry with her breakfast and start out upon the long walk to meet the boat.

She had gone right on with her thinking of the night before, but as she was dressing the incident of the night came very forcefully to her, yet somehow in the light of the day it did not seem so very unusual. Unusual, yes, but of course it had a perfectly natural explanation — she had simply been dreaming and she almost brushed the occurrence right aside and out of her mind. But the words, "Closet, in the closet," kept ringing in her ears. And she said, "Well, and why not take another look at the closets? Certainly there is so much debris in some of them, I may have overlooked my letter."

She again passed quickly from one room to the other and finally came to the last of the closets, and the letter was not to be seen. It was not very likely but she would take a look at the closets in the small cottage. There were only two and all too soon she was turning dejectedly from the second one and about to close the door upon her last hope, when lo, her attention was drawn in an unexplainable way to a magazine lying upon the shelf in the closet.

On top of the magazine was a pad of paper which Elaine vaguely remembered giving to Bettina the day before. She mechanically picked up the pad and then the magazine, and underneath — face up — lay her lost letter.

And in a flash it all became quite clear. Yesterday she had been so tired that nothing had seemed to register in her mind. Yet her attention in many ways all through the day had been drawn to the letters and to her own in particular — and she had not heeded. And finally when she at last had picked up her own letter, the small child's trouble had immediately drawn her attention from it and without looking, she had placed it in the closet with the magazine and the pad of paper and had not once thought of it again.

Even so, she had saved the letter unknowingly from the eyes of the curious. And the voice in the night, telling her where to find the letter! What of it? Had she, after all — been dreaming? Who can say?

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